

MINUTES

of the

Forty-ninth Annual Convention

of the

*Women's Missionary
Society*

of the

*Evangelical Lutheran Synod
of Nebraska*

of the

*United Lutheran Church
in America*

Held at

Midland College

August 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11, 1929

DIRECTORY

President, Mrs. K. de Freese, 2429 Mary St., Omaha.
Vice President, Mrs. George Haase, Emerson.
Recording Secretary, Mrs. Ethel Bauer, Ponca.
Statistical Secretary, Mrs. O. L. Sturtevant, 2715 Cable Ave., Lincoln.
Treasurer, Mrs. Claude De Wald, 3328 Hickory St., Omaha.

District Presidents

Western—Mrs. Eva Traulsen, Paxton.
Central—Mrs. Gus Prestegaard, 1944 Harwood Ave., Lincoln.
Omaha—Mrs. R. F. Bowers, 2205 Monroe St., Omaha.
Northeast—Mrs. E. S. H. Neiswanger, Dakota City.
Fremont—Mrs. H. C. Heckt, Hooper.
Southeast—Mrs. Will Harkendorff, Salem.

DEPARTMENT SECRETARIES

Mission Study, Mrs. G. N. Mendenhall, 855 E. Military, Fremont.
Thank Offering, Mrs. E. S. H. Neiswanger, Dakota City.
Annuitly, Mrs. M. D. Willert, Tekamah.
Industrial, Miss Bertha Krohn, 1837 C St., Lincoln.
Box Work, Mrs. John Lindahl, Allen.
Light Brigade, Mrs. Ralph Rangler, 3935 Randolph, Lincoln.
Immigrant Student, Miss Josephine Miller, Fremont.
Literature, Miss Suda Wood, Tekamah.
Magazine, Mrs. W. I. Guss, 119 N. 40th St., Omaha.
Young Women, Miss Helen Puls, 1811 Wirt St., Omaha.
Extension, Mrs. L. J. Skoepol, Crete, R. R. 2.
Standard of Excellence, Mrs. A. C. Zimmatt, 4014 S. 26th St., Omaha.
Life and In Memoriam, Mrs. N. L. Hansen, Emerson.
Patron and Protege, Mrs. V. P. Bell, 1313 S. 28th St., Omaha.
Constitution Committee, Mrs. G. E. Hickman.
Golden Jubilee Chairman, Mrs. G. E. Hickmon.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 6

The Forty-ninth Annual Convention of the Women's Missionary Society of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska met in session at Midland College, Fremont, Nebraska, August 5th to 11th, 1929, at 2:15 P. M.

Registration Committee showed a total of 100 in attendance, 68 Delegates and 32 Visitors.

Convention Program was presented by the President, Mrs. K. de Freese, and accepted with such changes as the occasion may demand.

Formal opening of Convention.

President's message, "How the Artist Forgot Four Colors," was most inspiring.

Greetings from Tabitha Home by Mr. Fager.

Synodical Greetings, Mrs. J. J. Gent, from the Illinois Synod.

Greetings from the Synod of Nebraska, Rev. A. O. Frank.

Greetings by card from Beatrice, Mrs. E. P. Mumford.

Roll Call showed 68 Delegates present and 32 Visitors.

President's Report and Recommendations:

RECOMMENDATIONS

That, remembering that all good and perfect things come from above, we bow in silent prayer to give thanks to our Heavenly Father.

That we send an expression of gratitude to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Springer for the stationery and programs that are so generously given us each year.

That we give our Christmas offering for 1929 to the completion of the Beagle Memorial in Repalle, India, in accordance with the request of the General Executive Board.

That the Lenten Self Denial offering for 1930 be used to complete the Golden Jubilee Fund of \$2,000.00,—any balance to be given to the Restoration of Budget.

That a committee be appointed to plan a program in honor of our Golden Jubilee year, and that we all increase our efforts to make 1930 an outstanding year in all phases of our work.

That all money designated for Golden Jubilee Fund next year be applied to that fund, regardless of how far we exceed our quota.

That we do not consider it advisable to increase our general dues, but that a 20% increase in membership be the goal of each society.

That our Synodical society subscribe for Lutheran Woman's Work. Copies to be sent to Statistician and kept on file with other records.

That the box of protocols be kept in the file at Midland College, along with the Statistician's report.

That we meet with Midland Assembly in 1930—time to be designated by Executive Committee.

That our printed minutes be confined to 25 pages or less.

That our Box Work offerings go to Tabitha Home Building Fund.

Motion made and carried that the recommendations be considered separately.

Motion made and carried that the matter of adopting the President's Recommendation No. 7 be reconsidered and the vote be taken by calling the Roll of Convention Delegates.

The Roll was called, showing the total votes cast being 79, with 49 for the recommendation and 30 against it.

Each recommendation being considered separately, a motion

was then made and carried that it be adopted.

Motion made and carried that the recommendations be adopted as a whole.

Report of new Women's societies as follows: We have no report of new Women's societies, nor have we any report of a society becoming inactive. The society at St. James, Lincoln, has changed from a young Women's to a Women's, and Hildreth became affiliated last January. (Included in President's report.)

Report of new Young Women's societies as follows: Two new societies have been organized, one Lincoln, St. James, and the other Lincoln, Grace.

Motion made and carried that the report be received and referred to the proper committee.

Report of new Light Brigades as follows: Two new Light Brigades organized, one at Davenport and one at Walton.

Motion made and carried that the following reports be received and referred to the proper committees.

Literature Secretary, total sales, \$113.60.

Industrial Secretary, total sales, \$222.95.

Box Work Secretary, total value, \$2,513.85.

A Magazine playlet was presented by the women of the Wayne Missionary Society.

Adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. E. F. NELSON, Rec. Sec'y.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7, 1929

The Wednesday afternoon session of the Synodical was opened with prayer by Mrs. Geo. P. Kabele.

Roll Call, 74 Delegates, 24 Visitors. Total, 98.

The minutes of the previous day were read and approved.

Report of the Executive Committee received and placed in the hands of the proper committee.

REPORT OF TREASURER

Summary of Treasurer's Report—

Balance July 1, 1928	\$ 332.75
Receipts, Women's Societies	5,724.41
Receipts, Young Women's Societies	1,525.60

Receipts, Light Brigades	616.85
	\$8,199.61
Disbursements—	
Women's Societies	\$5,633.10
Young Women's Societies	1,551.00
Light Brigades	601.16
	\$7,785.26
Balances—	
Women's Societies	\$ 291.27
Young Women's Societies	106.14
Light Brigades	16.94
Balance on hand July 1, 1929	\$ 414.35

Report of the Treasurer and Report of the Auditor accepted and placed on file.

Report of the Statistical Secretary.

Motion made and carried that the report be adopted.

Report of Western District.

Report of North East District.

Report of South East District.

Report of Fremont District.

Report of Omaha District (not in).

Report of Lincoln District.

Report of Central District.

Motion made and carried that these six reports be received and referred to the proper committee.

Motion made and carried that the Thursday evening Offering be given to the Restoration of Budget.

Election of officers resulted in the following:

President, Mrs. K. De Freese.

Vice President, Mrs. Geo. H. Haase.

Recording Secretary, Mrs. Ethel Bauer.

Statistical Secretary, Mrs. O. L. Sturtevant.

Treasurer, Mrs. Claude De Wald.

Delegates to next Biennial Convention:

First Delegate, 1930 President-elect.

First Alternate, 1930 Vice President-elect.

Second Delegate, Mrs. E. E. Shimonek.

Second Alternate, Mrs. M. D. Willert.

Young Women's Delegate, Mrs. E. F. Nelson.

Young Women's Alternate, Mrs. Ralph Rangeler.

Reports of the Johnstown Convention, Mrs. K. de Freese,
Mrs. A. B. Schwertz and Miss Suda Wood.

Meeting adjourned to Beegle Hall for the Fellowship Tea
for Dr. Mary Baer.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 8, 1929

The Thursday afternoon session opened with prayer by
Mrs. M. D. Willert.

Minutes of the previous meeting read and approved as corrected.

Presentation of the following visitors to Convention:

Mrs. D. L. McConnell of the Kansas Synodical Society,
with greetings.

Mrs. F. W. Seesko of the Benson Church, Immanuel Lutheran.

Report of the Omaha District.

Motion made and carried that the report be received and
referred to the proper committee.

Presentation of Department Secretaries to Convention.

Report of Department Secretaries as follows:

Magazine, 736 subscribers.

Annuity, total June 30, 1929, \$2,650.

Extension, 114 members in 12 societies.

Mission Study, 33 classes, enrollment 410.

Life and In Memoriam, receipts \$935.

Thank Offering total, \$2,379.74.

Standard of Excellence, Paxton and Hooper, 100%; 8 societies on Honor Roll.

Student, 238 in colleges, 56 in Lutheran colleges.

Motion made and carried that these reports be received and
placed in the hands of the proper committees.

Box Work. Offering consecrated by Dr. W. I. Guss.

Report of the Constitution Committee.

The Chairman, Mrs. G. E. Hickman, gave the first reading
of the proposed changes.

Motion made and carried that the report be received and
acted upon the following day.

Report on files and records received and placed on file.
Report of Golden Jubilee Chairman accepted and placed on file.

Adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. E. F. NELSON, Rec. Sec'y.

Thursday evening a very beautiful pageant was presented at the Salem Lutheran Church under the direction of Mrs. Geo. H. Haase and Mrs. L. N. Hansen of Emerson. \$525 was received in Life and in Memoriam memberships. The offering for the Restoration fund was \$107.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. E. F. NELSON, Rec. Sec'y.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 9, 1929

The Friday afternoon session opened with prayer by Rev. R. A. White.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as corrected.

Report of Committee on Resolutions.

Motion made and carried that the reports be received and placed on file.

Motion made and carried that the words "Administration Building" be inserted in the resolution of thanks to Midland College.

Motion made and carried that we also thank Miss Josephine Miller for the splendid program which she prepared for the Missionary Tea held in honor of Dr. Mary Baer and Mrs. J. J. Gent. Also to all others who had any part in making it a pleasant and profitable afternoon.

Motion made and carried to amend the resolutions.

Motion made and carried that the following reports be received and placed on file:

Report of Committee on District Chairmen.

Report of Committee on Letters and Papers.

Report of Constitution Committee.

The report of the Constitution Committee was introduced at this time, in accordance with the Thursday afternoon motion.

Motion made and carried that the proposed changes be presented separately.

The following actions were taken:

1. Proposed change adopted.
2. A motion was made and carried to substitute for proposed change "The Synodical Society shall be divided into districts as follows: Northeast, Omaha, Southeast, Fremont, Central and Western. Congregational Societies shall be assigned to the respective District by the Executive Committee."

3. Proposed change adopted.
4. Proposed change adopted.
5. Proposed change adopted.
6. Proposed change adopted.

Motion made and carried that the report be adopted as a whole, including the substitution.

Motion made and carried that the Executive Committee be given authority to proceed with the printing of the Constitution at once.

Report of Committee on Department Secretaries reports.

Motion made and carried that the report be adopted with the corrections and placed on file.

Report of Committee on Claims.

On account of an error, there was no action taken on this report at this time, and the Committee was allowed to bring in a corrected report.

Committee Report on Officers' Reports.

Motion made and carried that the report be received and placed on file.

Announcement of Box Work Offering as \$168.50 and \$21 additional in pledges.

Motion made and carried that a copy of the resolutions be sent to those mentioned in them.

Motion made and carried that the minutes of the last meeting be approved by the Executive Committee.

Report of Equalization Committee.

There being an error on this report, the committee was allowed to bring in a corrected report.

Report of Claims Committee.

Motion made and carried that the report be adopted and the Treasurer be instructed to pay same.

Final report of Registration Committee.

Motion made and carried that the report be adopted and placed on file.

Announcement of Life and In Memoriam offering, \$525.00.

Announcement of Restoration Fund offering, \$107.00.

The amendments as provided for in a motion from the floor of Convention were read by the Resolutions Committee.

Report of Committee on Department Secretaries' Reports.

Motion made and carried that the report be adopted and placed on file.

Motion made and carried to adopt the report of the Equalization Committee and the Committee be allowed to make its own corrections.

Formal closing of convention.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. E. F. NELSON, Rec. Sec'y.

REPORT OF CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE

The Constitution Committee, authorized by the 1928 convention to prepare the Constitution for the printing and arrange for same, did so. The price quoted by the Walter G. Springer Co. was \$30, with a 25% contribution for 500. This we decided to accept until, in conference with our President, several points were discussed needing further consideration. Believing that the Constitution should be as nearly as possible like the convention wants it before printing, we have delayed the presenting until after this convention and do now propose the following changes:

1. To Art. 6, Sec. 8, add, after the word committees, "and in the general convention delegation."

2. For Art. 7, Sec. 1, substitute—"The Synodical Society shall be divided into districts, with specified centers as follows: Emerson, Nebraska City, Fremont, Lincoln, Omaha, North Platte. Congregational societies shall be assigned to the respective centers by the Executive Committee."

3. Art. 10, substitute for last sentence—The first delegate and her first and second alternate shall be elected from the Executive Committee. The second delegate and her first and second alternates shall represent the young women. The remainder of the delegation and their alternates, allowing two for each delegate, shall be elected from the synodical membership at large. These elections shall be by ballot.

4. To By-Law No. 4 add, after Industrial, "Box Work."

5. By-Law 5, Sec. d, add—They shall also provide for the convention ribbon of the following shades: Purple for synodical officers, lavender for synodical department secretaries, district officers and members of standing and special committees; red for life members; blue for delegates from congregational societies; pink for local people; green for visitors.

6. To Article 6, Sec. 4, add—She shall collect and file the record books of all officers; the bound file of Lutheran Women's Work; the printed minutes, if such there be, for the current year; the pictures of officers; the program; all pictures, souvenirs and clippings which should be of interest to the synodical missionary society shall be collected and placed in a scrap book.

The words, "and synodical society," occurring in Art. 13, Sec. 2, conflict with Art. 13, Sec. 1, and are therefore unconstitutional and are declared null and void and are stricken out.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. G. E. HICKMAN.
MRS. C. H. B. LEWIS,
MRS. ANNA MUELLER.

REPORT OF RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

Through the Grace of God we are again permitted to meet in convention and give thanks to God for guidance during the past year.

Be it resolved that we express our thanks for the successful convention.

First: To our dear President for her untiring and efficient leadership and to other officers, committees and department secretaries for their splendid reports.

Second: To Mrs. Hansen and Mrs. Haase for making possible the splendid pageant for Life Membership.

Third: To Dr. Baer for her inspirational and instructive messages from India, and to Mrs. Gent for her help in our Mission Study.

Fourth: To Mr. and Mrs. Walter G. Springer for our fine programs and for the stationery given us in the past year, also for the programs used at this Convention, given gratis. To Fremont Chamber of Commerce for the badges and publicity.

Fifth: To Midland College for the courtesy we received in the dining room and Beegle Hall and Administration Building, and to the ladies of Salem Church for the banquet. That we also thank Miss Josephine Miller for the splendid program which she prepared for the Missionary Tea held in honor of Dr. Baer and Mrs. Gent. Also to all others who had any part in making it a pleasant and profitable afternoon.

Sixth: To Mrs. Hickman for taking care of the local arrangements so efficiently.

Be it further resolved that our prayers go out to all our Missionaries

at home and abroad. That we pray God's blessing upon our work for the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. W. W. COUGHTRY, Chr.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON "REPORTS OF DISTRICT CHAIRMEN"

We, as a committee, have carefully examined the reports of the seven district chairmen.

We found all held very successful conferences, with one-day sessions, attendance totaling 422, a remarkable increase over previous years.

Miss Hilma Levine of India addressed Omaha, Central and Lincoln Conferences; Miss Nona Diehl, general secretary of the Young Women, addressed Fremont, Southeast and Northeast conferences; Miss Lolling of Tabitha Home addressed Southeast and Fremont.

We heartily commend the districts for the interest shown toward the "Restoration of the Budget," the total amount sent for this purpose being \$64.64.

We are especially proud of the spiritual interest manifested through the programs given, and wish to take this means of expressing our appreciation to all the district officers.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. EVA TRAUlsen, Chairman.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON LETTERS AND PAPERS

The Committee on Letters and Papers finds there are no papers to report on and but one communication which was read by the President at the opening session. The absence of papers is due to the fact that the Women's Missionary Society of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska is meeting with Midland Assembly, which supplies the inspirational addresses, and is therefore a strictly business session.

Inasmuch as the Women's Missionary Society is again meeting with the Midland Assembly in 1930, your committee has suggested to the Committee on Constitution Amendments to recommend a change of the By-Laws to discontinue the Committee on Letters and Papers until such a time as this committee shall again be necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. H. C. HECKT, Chairman.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE FOLLOWING DEPARTMENT SECRETARIES

We have carefully examined the reports of the following departments Secretaries and submit the following:

Mission Study: This department shows 34 Women's organizations enrolled in our Synodical Society. There were 33 Mission Study Classes, which had an enrollment of 410. Out of 19 Y. W. M. S. there were 16. 134 in attendance at Midland Assembly.

Light Brigade: This department is a splendid report and a decided increase. It shows 20 societies on Honor Roll. Two new Light Brigades, making a total of 29.

Immigrant Student: This department shows that it is very much worthwhile. The co-operation of the pastors has been splendid, this being the only means to keep in touch with our young women and men. May God bless those that have taken up the cross and cause more to work in His Vineyard.

Magazine: 736 subscriptions to Lutheran Women's Work, an increase of 49 in Young Women's Societies and a decrease of 21 in Women's Societies.

Young Women's: Young Women report 2 new societies. Many young women had the privilege of hearing Miss Nona Diehl, National Secretary.

Extension Department: There are 12 Extension Departments in our Synod this year, with one new organization at Paxton. This shows an increase of one society over last year. There is also an increase of eleven members over last year—last year 103 and this year 114. Also an increase of three who became active members. There was a decrease of subscribers to Lutheran Women's Work—last year 46 and this year 37.

Standard of Excellence: This report shows one, Paxton, Nebraska, society 100%. Last year 2, Verdon and North Platte. A decrease on the honor roll is noted—8 societies this year, 14 last.

(No report for the Young Women or Light Brigade.)

The report as a whole shows a decrease!

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. SASS, Chairman.

OFFICERS' REPORT

We wish to express our appreciation of our President for the time and thought that she so willingly spent to make our convention a success. We appreciate the inspiration she brought in her visits to some of our societies and District meetings during the past year and that she may be able to visit many more societies, who look forward to the inspiration she may bring to them.

We appreciate her untiring efforts during the year in securing speaking dates for different societies in having Miss Hilma Levine and Miss Nona Diehl bring the message to us personally, also being instrumental in securing Dr. Mary Baer to lecture in different congregations, helping us to more fully understand the great work in India, and securing Mrs. J. J. Gent to so ably present our Mission Study Book.

We appreciate the enthusiasm brought back to us by our president

and Mrs. Schwertz for the Young Women, and Miss Suda Wood for the Light Brigade, from the Johnstown Convention.

We recommend the recommendations adopted by our Convention.

We note the increase in membership of all our societies. The fact of two new organizations of Young Women in Lincoln, Grace and St. James.

The splendid work of our Statistical Secretary in compiling the reports on her charts deserve honorable mention. The gold star earned by the Paxton Trinity Missionary Society is deserving of honorable mention, also Hooper, whose report came in almost too late.

The Light Brigade especially has noticeably increased in the past year.

We are proud to make the special mention on the amount \$744.14 for the restoration of Budget and for the Thank Offering of \$2,379.74, Life and In Memoriam report, \$935.00, which is very commendable.

Respectfully submitted by the Committee,

MRS. A. G. BARBER, Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DEPARTMENT SECRETARIES

We have examined the reports of the Department Secretaries and submit the following:

Thank-Offering—It is gratifying to note the growth in the Thank-Offering to the amount of \$173.74.

Annuity—Two bonds were issued in the past year. We recommend the stressing of this Department.

Life and In Memoriam—This department shows a steady growth.

Box Work—Although this department shows a large net gain over that of last year, we recommend each Society be more careful in reporting their Box Work to the Synodical Secretary.

Literature—We commend the free use of our Literature, and note the fine sales at Midland Assembly.

Industrial—We note a goodly number of societies have sold industrial products; we urge more societies ask for consignments from the Synodical Secretary.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. E. E. SHIMONEK, Chairman.

FINAL REPORT OF REGISTRATION AND CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

It is with great satisfaction and gratitude that we report the largest registration in the fifty years' history of the W. M. S. of the Nebraska Synod. It is as follows:

Women's Delegates	41
Young Women's	15
Light Brigade	10
Officers	5
Department Secretaries	10

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

District Officers	10
Members of standing committees	3
Members of special committees	2
Total	96
Duplicates	18
Net total Delegates	78
Visitors	102
Grand total	180

The registration includes 95 life members; 1 missionary, Dr. Mary Baer, from Chirala, India; 5 former missionaries, Rev. and Mrs. A. B. Schwartz of Sioux City, Iowa; Mrs. Anna Mueller of Fremont, and Rev. and Mrs. H. O. Rhode of Hooper; 1 missionary-elect, Rev. E. G. Wood of Fremont, who leaves for his chosen field, India, immediately; 1 deaconess, Augustana Synod, Sister Emmy Olson of Minneapolis; members of six different U. L. C. constituent synods—California, Maryland, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas and German Nebraska; members of two general Lutheran bodies, Augustana and Missouri, and a splendid registration of our own English Nebraska pastors.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. G. E. HICKMAN, Chairman.

REPORT OF STATISTICAL SECRETARY

Grand totals—

Members:

Women's Societies	813
Young Women's Societies	317
Light Brigades	856
Total members	1,986
Life Members	425
In Memoriam	60
Extension Department	146
Mission Study Members	484
Magazine Subscription	713

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Davenport, Iebc.

May 6-8, 1930

CALENDAR OF SPECIAL DAYS AND SEASONS

Advent Season (November 30 - December 20)

Board of Ministerial Pensions and Relief.

Epiphany Season (January 6 - January 25)

Board of Foreign Missions.

Septuagesima Sunday (February 1) . . . Board of Deaconess Work.

Lenten Season (March 5 - April 19) . . Board of American Missions.

Third Sunday in May (May 18) . . . National Lutheran Council.

Month of June . . . Inner Mission Board.

Reformation Sunday (November 2) . . . Board of Education.

Day of Prayer for Colleges.

THE BUDGET DOLLAR

Every dollar contributed in the regular way under the apportionment for the year 1930 is distributed as follows:

UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH 56.46 cents.

Foreign Missions	16.93	Deaconess Work	1.19
American Missions	21.45	Nat. Home for Aged	.42
Education	4.94	Tabitha Home	.28
Parish, Church School	.51	Lowman Home	.07
Inner Missions	.85	Nat. Luth. Council	.65
Ministerial Relief	6.64	Amer. Bible Soc.	.14
U. L. C. Treasury	2.39		

NEBRASKA SYNOD 43.54 cents

Synodical Treas.	11.56	Midland College	15.96
Ministerial Educ.	3.59	Salem Luth. Church	1.83
Synodical Missions	3.10	Nebr. Syn. Luth.	1.51
Tabitha Home	4.87	Seminary Cont. Fund	1.12

The budget of the United Lutheran Church for the year 1930 is \$2,400,000.00 of which \$30,456.00 has been apportioned to our Synod. The total budget of our Synod, including the above, is \$52,914.00, which has been apportioned to the various churches of our Synod according to the following

SCHEDULE OF QUOTAS

Allen	\$ 586	Nebraska City	\$ 668
Auburn	1,159	North Platte	2,419
Beatrice	630	Omaha, First	1,027
Benedict, Bethel	145	Omaha, Grace	958
Benedict Zion	403	Omaha, K. M.	14,515
Dakota, Emman.	44	Omaha, Redeemer	1,184
Dakota, Salem	580	Omaha, St. Luke's	2,167
Davenport	920	Omaha, St. Mark's	1,134
Eagle	122	Oshkosh	189
Emerson	1,008	Paxton	617
Ericson	132	Ponca	914
Falls City	630	Potter	158
Fremont	2,035	Rising City	914
Gurley	535	Sidney	548
Grand Island	2,835	South Sioux City	718
Hampton	630	Stamford	617
Hardy	416	Stella	126
Hildreth	548	Sutherland	195
Hooper	857	Tekamah	334
Homer	284	Verdon	775
Hubbard	233	Walton	347
Leigh	819	Wayne	1,418
Lewellen	252	West Point	1,777
Lincoln, Grace	1,859	Wilber	328
Lincoln, St. James	183	Wolbach	554
McCool Junction	365	York	328

The schedule of apportionment for the year 1931 may be found on page 46.

DATES AND PLACES OF THE MEETINGS OF SYNOD

Date	Place	Remarks
1871	Omaha,	
1872	No meeting	Absence of Quorum
1873	No meeting	No meeting appointed
1874	Fontenelle	
1875	Nebraska City	
1876	Omaha	
1877	West Point	
1878	Nebraska City	
1879	Febing	
1880	Ponca	
1881	Tekamah	
1882	Waverly	
1883	Tekamah	
1884	Ponca	
1885	Grand Island	German Church
1886	Auburn	
1887	Beatrice	
1888	Rising City	
1889	Grand Island	English Church
1890	Denver, Colo.	Only meeting out of State
1891	Beatrice	
1892	Ponca	
1893	Lincoln	St. Mark's Church
1894	West Point	
1895	Wayne	
1896	Stella	
1897	Dakota City	Salem Church, near Dakota City
1898	Nebraska City	
1899	Beatrice	
1900	Pawnee City	
1901	West Point	
1902	North Platte	
1903	Benedict	
1904	Ponca	
1905	Wilber	
1906	Omaha	Grace Church
1907	Grand Island	
1908	Hardy	
1909	Auburn	
1910	Beatrice	
1911	Omaha	Kountze Memorial
1912	North Platte	
1913	West Point	
1914	Allen	
1915	Lincoln	
1916	Omaha	Grace Church
1917	Grand Island	St. Luke's Church
1918	Fremont	
1919	Omaha	
1920	North Platte	Grace Church
1921	Wayne	
1922	Ponca	
1923	Emerson	
1924	Omaha	St. Mark's Church
1925	Rising City	
1926	Auburn	
1927	Fremont	
1928	Nebraska City	
1929	Omaha	
1930	Davenport	Church of Our Redeemer

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 Rev. A. O. Frank The Assembly

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 Rev. J. C. Hershey 1933

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 Rev. F. C. Wiegman
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 Rev. L. H. Steinhoff

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Mr. Albert Hedelund
 Mr. A. T. Yost
 Mr. B. M. Boals
 Mr. I. M. Augustine
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Mr. Fred Wood

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Rev. E. A. Dorner

SYNODICAL DISTRICTS

1. Northeast—Allen, Dakota City, Emerson, Homer, Hubbard, Ponca, South Sioux City, Wayne.
2. Omaha—Omaha, Tekamah.
3. Southeast—Auburn, Falls City, Nebraska City, Stella, Verdon.
4. Lincoln—Beatrice, Eagle, Hardy, Lincoln, Walton, Wilbur.
5. Fremont—Fremont, Hooper, Leigh, West Point.
6. Central—Benedict, Davenport, Ericson, Grand Island, Hampton, McCool Junction, Rising City, Stamford, Wolbach, York.
7. Western—Gurley, Lewellen, North Platte, Oshkosh, Paxton, Potter, Sidney, Sutherland.

The 59th Annual Convention
Will be held in Trinity Lutheran Church,
Stamford, Nebraska,

REV. A. W. YOUNG, Pastor,

February 10, 11, 12, 1930.

Communion Sermon—Rev. W. A. Klink. Rev. R. E. Rangeler, alternate.
Ordination sermon—Rev. K. deFreese. Rev. G. B. Weaver, alternate.
Chaplain—Rev. A. W. Young. Rev. C. H. Kemper, alternate.
Chorister—Rev. J. L. Sawyer. Organist—Rev. E. A. Vosseler.

ROLL OF MINISTERS

Pastor	Address	Ord'd	Syn	Parish	Sessions Attend.						
					1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Anspach, H. A.	311 W. 5th, North Platte	1913	1924	First	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Baltzy, O. D.	Ph.D., L.I.D. 2602 Farnam Omaha	1896	1911	Kountze Memorial	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Bollman, E.	Shickley	1890	1926	Retired	A	A	P	P	P	P	A
Cordts, H. C.	Wilber	1926	1925	First	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
de Freese, K.	2429 Mary St. Omaha	1917	1916	Our Redeemer	A	A	P	P	P	P	A
Derner, E. A.	Hildreth	1929	1929	St. Paul	E	E	P	P	P	P	P
Dumler, H.	Hampton	1926	1925	Emanuel	E	E	E	E	E	E	E
Ebright, O. W.	25th and K St. Omaha	1919	1924	St. Luke	P	P	P	P	P	E	E
Fleck, E. L.	1331 J St. Lincoln	1887	1910	Retired	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
Frank, A. O.	Auburn	1923	1922	St. Paul	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Guss, W. I.	D. D. 119 No. 40th, Omaha	1899	1919	Synod President	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Harman, C. B.	D. D. 503 W 2nd, Grand Island	1900	1909	St. Paul	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Heidenreich, W. C.	Wayne	1906	1928	St. Paul	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Hershey, J. C.	Davenport	1917	1917	Christ	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kabele, G. P.	D. D. 325 E. 10th St., Fremont	1898	1927	Salem	E	E	E	E	E	E	E
Kahse, W. T.	D. D. 413 Central Ave., Sidney	1905	1912	Trinity, Sidney Grace, Gurley First, Potter	P	P	P	P	P	E	E
Kauffman, C. L.	Ponca	1928	1930	Salem	P	F	P	P	P	P	P
Keller, S. L.	Fremont	1888	1910	Retired	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
Kemper, C. H.	Paxton	1927	1926	Trinity, Paxton Grace, Sutherland	P	P	P	P	P	P	A
Klink, W. A.	West Point	1917	1917	Grace	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kuhns, L. M.	D. D. LIT D. 458 Saunders-Kennedy Bldg., Omaha	1886	1888	Retired	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kunz, F. A.	Leigh	1929	1930	St. John	P	P	P	P	P	P	E
Lewis, C. H. B.	D. D. 748 E. Military, Fremont	1904	1925	U. L. C. Secretary	E	E	E	E	E	E	E
Lowe, C. R.	214 9th St., Beatrice	1907	1913	Trinity	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

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					1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Lowe, J. A. Ph. D.	3506 Harney St. Omaha	1878	1926	Retired	E	E	E	E	E	E	E
Martin, H. F., Ph. D.	Midland College, Fremont	1905	1925	College President	A	A	P	P	P	A	A
Machetski, P.	Buenos Ayres, South America	1915	1914	Missionary	E	E	E	E	E	E	E
Mendenhall, G. N., Ph. D.	855 E. Military Ave., Fremont	1908	1922	Professor	A	A	P	P	P	P	A
Miller, J. C.	Allen	1915	1928	First	E	P	P	P	P	P	P
Monemith, H. W.	Emerson	1916	1928	St. Luke	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Mortensen, E. C.	Benedict	1920	1920	Zion	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Mortensen, G. E.	Omaha	1920	1920	Grace	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Pinkall, A. H.	South Sioux City	1930	1930	First	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Rangelier, R. E.	3935 Randolph, Lincoln	1919	1921	St. James, Lincoln Grace, Walton Trinity, Eagle	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Raun, J. J.	1032 E. Military, Fremont	1920	1928	Professor	E	E	E	E	E	E	E
Rinde, T. D.	Verdon	1924	1928	St. Mark, Verdon	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Rubrecht, G. K., D. D.	1700 High St., Lincoln	1905	1928	Grace	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Saas, W. H.	Dakota City	1925	1924	Enmanuel	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Sawyer, J. L.	809 Grant, York	1927	1928	First, York First, McCool Jct.	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Steinhoff, L. H.	Tekamah	1929	1929	Immanuel	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Trauterman, F. C.	Falls City	1915	1930	St. Paul	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Vosseler, E. A.	Rising City	1920	1923	First	E	E	E	E	E	E	E
Weaver, G. B., D. D.	2813 No. 60th., Omaha	1898	1916	First	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
White, R. A., D. D.	Wolbach	1886	1886	Trinity, Wolbach First, Ericson	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Wiegman, F. C.	Nebraska City	1927	1927	First	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Wood, E. G.	India	1928	1928	Missionary	E	E	E	E	E	E	E
Yost, H. E.	2602 Farnam, Omaha	1926	1929	Kountze Memorial	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Young, A. W.	Stamford	1926	1924	Trinity	A	P	P	P	P	P	P

LAY DELEGATES

Sessions Attend

Parish	Delegate	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Allen	E. G. Wharton	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Auburn	Geo. Snyder	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
Benedict	A. C. Foote	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
Dakota City, Em.	Geo. Niebuhr	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
Dakota City, Salem	B. M. Boals	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Davenport	Chas. Brant	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Eagle-Walton	Will Ossenkop	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
Emerson	Ernest Enke	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Falls City	A. Bickel	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Fremont	Wm. Weick	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Grand Island	I. M. Augustine	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Hildreth	Fred Lyden	A	A	A	P	P	P	P
Leigh	Louis Hahn	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Lincoln, Grace	Prof. P. Hudson	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
Lincoln, St. James	Geo. Bothe	A	A	P	P	P	P	P
McCool Jct.	H. P. Smith	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
Nebraska City	L. W. Rodenbrock	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
North Platte	E. T. Tramp	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Omaha, First	Albert Hedelund	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Omaha, Grace	Ernest Pschau	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
Omaha, Kountze	M. H. Fischer	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Omaha, Redeemer	Fred E. Wood	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Omaha, St. Luke	A. Nodean	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Omaha, St. Mark	O. Nelson	A	P	P	P	P	P	P
Paxton	Edward Sudman	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
Potter	J. J. Johnson	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Rising City	A. Skoda	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
Sidney	M. Christensen	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
Stamford, Trinity	Ed. Zelsky	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
Stella	Esburn Wheeler	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
Tekamah	J. W. Andresen	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
Verdon	Albert Beutler	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
Wayne	Arthur Carlson	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
West Point	Fred Kahrs	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Wilber	E. G. Hopkins	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
York	Edward Wochner	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

Minutes
of the
Fifty-Eighth Annual Convention
of the
Evangelical Lutheran Synod
of Nebraska
of the

UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA
Held in Christ's Lutheran Church, Davenport, Nebraska,
— May 6th to 8th, 1930 —

FIRST SESSION, TUESDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 6

The 58th annual convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska of the United Lutheran Church in America was held in Christ's Lutheran Church of Davenport, Nebr., Rev. J. C. Hershey, pastor, and was opened with the Preparatory and Holy Communion service on Tuesday afternoon, May 6th, at 2:30 o'clock.

The service of the Common Service Book was used. The Liturgical service was read by the Secretary. The Holy Communion service was conducted by the President. Rev. E. C. Sibbersen spoke briefly in the interests of the work among the deaf, dumb and blind. Rev. G. E. Mortensen preached the sermon on the text, 1 Timothy 1: 12-20. 43 pastors and delegates communed. After the benediction the Synod recessed.

The business session was convened at 4:15 o'clock by the President. The Order for the Opening of Synods was used. The roll of pastors and delegates was called. 45 responded. Rev. W. I. Guss read.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

May 6, 1930.

Fathers and Brethren:-

This is the Fifty-Eighth Annual Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska. We assemble today in this beautiful house of God as the guests of Christ's Lutheran Congregation of Davenport. It is most fitting that our first thought should be one of grateful acknowledgement of the Divine Providence. Not one of our ministers has fallen at his post since we last met. The Great Head of the Church has given us more time and strength to continue, yet for a season, to finish the work that is ours. Our congregations have enjoyed sure evidences of divine favor. Spiritual activity has not waned in the constant and increasing conflict with the forces of materialism and sin. In many respects we have had a fruitful year of labor.

Why are we assembled here today? Because it seems advisable annually to plan the work of the Synod; to adopt budgets and lay apportionments; to set goals for ourselves; to counsel together how this work that grips our love might be better and more efficiently accomplished. We are here as the disciples of our risen Lord and Saviour. Like His first disciples may we hear Him say to us "go ye therefore, and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit: teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I command you: and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." -Matt. 28: 19-20 Shall we not try to remember that our main business in life is to "make disciples" and as we are assembled in this convention may we have this in mind—in all that we say and do, propose and plan.

In submitting to you this annual report I desire to acquaint you with the official acts of your President and some of the activities of the Synod.

Resignations

- Rev. E. C. Mortensen, Hardy, July 15, 1929.
- Rev. Luther M. Kuhns, D. D., Grace, Omaha, July 31, 1929.
- Rev. L. F. Ries, Falls City, Sept. 1, 1929.
- Rev. C. L. Ramme, Grace, Omaha, January 26, 1930.
- Rev. R. W. Livers, D. D., Hooper, January 31, 1930.
- Rev. George E. Mortensen, South Sioux City, February 4, 1930.
- Rev. C. L. Stager, St. Mark's, Omaha, February 26, 1930.
- Rev. Max J. Harder, Oshkosh-Lewellen, April 30, 1930.

Dismissals

- Rev. L. F. Ries to the Maryland Synod, September 23, 1929.
- Rev. Henry H. Scherer to Kansas Synod, December 31, 1929.
- Rev. C. L. Ramme to Rocky Mt. Synod, January 27, 1930.
- Rev. R. W. Livers to Iowa Synod, January 31, 1930.
- Rev. Elmer Kahl to Michigan Synod, February 14, 1930.
- Rev. C. L. Stager, Kansas Synod, March 22, 1930.
- Rev. Max J. Harder to Wartburg Synod, April 30, 1930.

Calls Accepted

- Rev. F. A. Kunz to Leigh, June 9, 1929.
- Rev. Carl L. Kauffman to Ponca, July 1, 1929.
- Rev. E. C. Mortensen to Benedict, July 16, 1929.
- Rev. C. L. Ramme to Grace, Omaha, August 1, 1929.
- Rev. Hugh E. Yost to Associate Pastor of Kountze Memorial, Omaha, September 1, 1929.
- Rev. F. C. Trauterman to Falls City, January 1, 1930.

(Licentiates given permission subject to Ordination)

- Rev. R. V. Davis, to Hardy.
- Rev. Arthur Pinkall to South Sioux City.
- Rev. Hugh Dowler to Spencer, Nebraska.

Accessions

- Rev. E. A. Dorner from the Iowa Synod, May 23, 1929.
- Rev. Carl Kauffman from Susquehannah Synod of Central Pennsylvania, July 26, 1929.
- Rev. Freeman A. Kunz from Northwest Synod, July 26, 1929.
- Rev. Charles L. Ramme from the Rocky Mt. Synod, October 18, 1929.
- Rev. Hugh E. Yost from the Iowa Synod, October 18, 1929.
- Rev. F. C. Trauterman from Illinois Synod, March 11, 1930.

Installations

Rev. Edgar A. Dorner, at Hildreth, Dean Holmes Dysinger, D. D., LL. D. gave the charge to the pastor and the President gave the charge to the congregation, June 30, 1929.

Rev. Carl L. Kauffman, at Ponca, Dr. Holmes Dysinger delivered the sermon to the pastor and the President preached the sermon to the congregation, August 4, 1929.

Rev. E. C. Mortensen, at Benedict, by the President, who gave the charges to the pastor and the congregation, August 1, 1929.

Rev. Charles L. Ramme, at Grace, Omaha, by the President assisted by Dr. Holmes Dysinger, who delivered the message, Sept. 22, 1929.

Rev. F. A. Kunz, at Leigh, by the President of Synod who delivered the sermons to pastor and congregation. In the afternoon, Rev. C. Rautenstrauss preached a German sermon, Oct. 13, 1929.

Rev. Hugh E. Yost, at Kountze Memorial, by Rev. O. W. Ebricht, the sermon to the pastor was given by Rev. K. de Freese, and Rev. C. L. Ramme gave the charge to the congregation, Dec. 1, 1929.

Rev. George E. Mortensen, at Grace, Omaha, by the President, who delivered the message, February 9, 1930.

Rev. F. C. Trauterman, at Falls City, President Guss officiated and delivered the charge to pastor and congregation, April 6, 1930.

Vacancies

Bethel, Benedict, has been without services since Jan. 1, 1928.

Homer and Hubbard, have been supplied by the pastor from South Sioux City.

Grace, Hooper, has been supplied by Professors and Students from the Western Theological Seminary.

Potter, has been supplied bi-monthly by Rev. W. T. Kahse, D. D. St. Mark's, Omaha, has been supplied by Professors from the Western Theological Seminary.

Stella, has been supplied by Rev. Thos. D. Rinde.

Ordination Paper Returned

Rev. Elmer Kahl notified me that he had received a "call" from the Lutheran Church at Camden, Ind. He requested that his "Ordination Papers", which had been deposited with the President, be returned to him. In accord with a ruling of The United Lutheran Church, (See 1920 U. L. C. Minutes, Page 208) I complied with his request.

Congregational Membership of Ministers

Sept. 2, 1929, I transferred the Congregational Membership of Rev. L. M. Kuhns, D. D. from the Grace, Omaha to the First (Benson) Omaha.

The following Ministers without parishes hold their Congregational Membership as follows:-

Bollman, E., Christ's, Davenport.
Fleck, E. Lee, First, Rising City.
Guss, W. L., St. Mark's, Omaha.
Keller, S. L., Salem, Fremont.
Kuhns, Luther M. First (Benson), Omaha.
Lewis, C. H. B., Salem, Fremont.
Lowe, J. A., Trinity, Beatrice.
Martin, H. F., Salem, Fremont.
Mendenhall, G. N., Salem, Fremont.
Raun, Jas. J., Salem, Fremont.

Application for Ordination

Licentiate Arthur Pinkall has applied for Ordination at this meeting of Synod. In harmony with Article 7, Section 1, (A) and (B), he has complied with all requirements.

Congregation Applies for Membership

The "United Evangelical Lutheran Church of Spencer" has placed into the hands of the President a "Formal Application" to be received into the membership of this Synod. This congregation effected a permanent organization on March 16, 1930.

Treasurer's Bond

The President has in his possession a Bond given by the Treasurer of Synod, Jos. H. Miller, in accord with the Article 3, Section 7, (F) of the Constitution.

Corporation Tax

November 25, 1929, a check was sent to the State Officials in payment of the Corporation Tax assessed this Synod.

Special Committees Appointed

March 18, 1930. I appointed the following persons to audit the records of the Synodical Treasurer, Dr. Jos. H. Miller: Professors E. M. Stahl, G. E. Hickman and D. W. Crouse.

April 30, 1930 I appointed to audit the Mission Committee Records Messrs. Gilbert W. Uhler and A. A. Hilbert and Herbert Gustafson.

Another special committee was appointed by the President. Concerning this committee he will report at the Executive Session of the Synod. See page 47, 48.

I appointed Rev. A. O. Frank as the Synodical Representative to the Women's Missionary Society Convention held at Fremont, Aug. 5 to 11, 1929. Rev. W. A. Klink, who had been appointed, notified me that he would not be able to act in this capacity.

Parish Transactions

Allen—Paid \$400.00 on church debt.

Auburn—\$40.00 expended on Church School equipment. Redecorated and remodeled Pastor's study \$60.00 labor donated. Pastor's salary increased \$200.00.

Benedict—Church interior redecorated, new roof on Church, cost \$309.00. Paid on Parsonage debt \$200.00.

Davenport—Mrs. Lydia Hoover in her will left \$2,000.00 to Midland College. Repaired and redecorated the Church at cost of \$1,032.00.

Fremont—Indebtedness reduced \$4,575.00. Street paved by parsonage also minor improvements and additions to the property.

Hampton—One Heatrola Stove for the Church, \$120.00. Built new garage, \$120.00, labor donated. Parsonage kitchen remodeled and renovated at estimated expense of \$125.00 and the exterior of parsonage repainted at cost of \$60.00. The Sunday School paid for paint. The total expenditure was \$435.00.

Hubbard—The Church was raised and a basement was placed under the same at a cost of \$1,500.00.

Leigh—Installed a new electric bulletin board; painted basement walls; built new choir loft; purchased two art glass windows; and paid \$800.00 on parsonage debt.

Lincoln, Grace—New Church building committee appointed and plans all set for a financial campaign to enable the congregation to begin building operations in the near future. Arrangements are made to liquidate the debt owed the Church Extension Board for many years.

Lincoln, St. James—Exterior of chapel painted and the interior artistically decorated.

Nebraska City—A garage was built at a cost of \$300.00.

Omaha, Benson—New roof put on the Church for a cash payment of \$200.00.

Omaha, Kountze Memorial—The interior of the Church was redecorated and new electric fixtures installed. The entire Church and pastor's studies were recarpeted. All outside wood-work of the Church and the houses belonging to the congregation were painted. A new Secretary's office was constructed and a host of general improvements were made. The total cost was over \$7,000.00.

Omaha, Redeemer—A new Lectern, a new Bible and new Antependia were presented to the Church. Cost \$100.00. Purchased new chairs for the primary department and new robes for the Bible School Choir. Cost \$75.00.

Omaha, St. Luke's—The building committee has been appointed, plans are completed for a new structure, a successful financial campaign for funds has been completed, the old Church has been sold and all is now in readiness to begin work on the erection of a new Church building.

Omaha, St. Mark's—Repainted the parsonage, also the exterior wood-work and trimmings of the Church. Renovated all the interior decorations of the Church. The total cost was \$570.00.

Paxton—Purchased new chairs and black-board for Church school which cost \$54.00. Repairs and papering interior of Church cost \$120.00. Pastor's salary increased \$100.00.

Ponca—Interior of parsonage was refinished, walls painted and floors revarnished at a cost of \$300.00.

Sidney—Made improvements of \$106.00 and paid \$200.00 on parsonage debt.

Stamford—Feb. 23, 1930 the first anniversary of the dedication of the new Church was observed and the debt was reduced \$645.00 on that day by cash received. The Sunday School spent \$150.00 in making four class rooms in basement of church. These are constructed of movable panels. Pastor's salary was increased \$300.00.

Sutherland—Papered and painted interior of church, put in new light fixtures and installed a furnace, all at a cost of \$243.00.

Tekamah—Papered and painted parsonage at a cost of \$125.00.

Walton—Redecorated interior of church auditorium at an expenditure of \$125.00. Paid off a debt of \$700.00.

Wayne—Painted the basement of the church at a cost of \$175.00 which was paid by the Ladies Aid.

West Point—Purchased for the Sunday School room, new chairs \$75.00, new hymn books \$45.00 and a separate heating unit valued at \$145.00.

York—New hymnals, and new equipment for the Sunday School and new fixtures for kitchen, at a cost of \$46.00. Expended \$110.00 to redecorate the interior of the church. The church debt was reduced \$417.52

President's Questionnaire

"Questionnaire" was sent to 51 congregations. One did not reply.

34 reported promptly.

48 heard sermons or received tracts on Stewardship.

40 heard sermons on Tithing.

Recommendations were adopted a year ago by Synod, concerning the following:-

15 report 10% increase in communing members.

19 paid 100% on apportionment.

24 sent benevolence to the Synodical Treasurer monthly.

39 paid the Pastor monthly.

34 use Duplex envelopes.

41 had "The Lutheran" commended to them.

42 observed "Calendar of Special Days and Seasons."

Information

October 30-31, 1929, your President attended the American Federation Brotherhood in Chicago.

This Conference was significant for the following outstanding items:

1—The laymen of the various Lutheran Synodical Bodies are intensely interested in the matter of having all the Lutherans in America united.

2—These laymen are going to have more to say in the affairs of the church in the future. They want better institutions of leaning, greater efficiency in all matters of the church. Stewardship was stressed.

3—Lutheran Men, at the suggestion of Dr. Jacob C. Kapp, was made the official Publication of "American Lutheran Brotherhood."

4—Loyalty to the Lutheran Doctrinal Standards and to the Holy Bible as the inspired Word of God was strongly emphasized.

Jan. 7, 8, 1930, the President attended the United Lutheran Presidents' Conference at Harrisburg, Pa. This was a most helpful Conference. It was a mutual exchange of ideas for the good of all. The following subjects were stressed: "Better Parish Record and Accurate Synodical Statistical Reports", "Congregational Efficiency", "Synodical Efficiency", "Secularism's Influence on the Church", and "A Financial Study of the U. L. C." The 1930 Educational Campaign was strongly endorsed and emphasis was placed upon the importance of every President, Synod, Congregation and Church Member giving this Campaign the greatest possible support.

March 18, 19, 1930, I attended the National Lutheran Educational Conference at Chicago. Here were discussed matters pertaining to the welfare of our Lutheran Institutions of learning as follows: "The Future", "The Curriculum", "The Function" of our Church College. "Standardization of Theological Education" and "Student Attitude toward the Church". Dr. H. F. Martin is President of this organization.

Other Activities

I visited the German Lutheran Nebraska Synod, at Columbus, Nebraska. I was courteously received and upon request I addressed that body, extending the greetings of our Synod and suggested that a visitor be sent to our next meeting.

Your President attended 17 congregational and officers' meetings, 38 conventions, conferences, banquets and committee meetings. He delivered 50 sermons and addresses, received 15 adults into church membership, baptised two children, officiated at a wedding and a funeral. The amount of correspondence that demands his attention seems to be increasing ad infinitum.

Recommendations

1. That this Synod again requests every Congregation to do its utmost to attain the following "Goals" for this Synodical Year as recommended by the U. L. C.:

First, "Ten per cent increase in communing members."

Second, "One hundred per cent to be the minimum paid on apportionment for benevolence."

2. That the Secretary and President be instructed to have the "Calendar of Special Days and Seasons", also the "Budget Dollar for the Benevolence", printed on the inside of the cover page of the next minutes.

3. That the "Laymen's Movement for Stewardship" committee be requested to prepare the table of the "Budget Dollar."

4. That Synod re-affirm the "recommendation 8" of the President's report in minutes of 1928 for the guidance of the delegates attending the United Lutheran Convention.

5. That the congregations of our Synod receive offerings for the National Lutheran Council so that our Synodical quota may be raised.

I desire to thank the members of Synod for their hearty co-operation, good will and helpful suggestions during the past year, and may the Head of the Church direct us as we shall counsel together, at this meeting of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

W. I. Guss, President.

Acting Chairman Rev. H. A. Anspach referred the President's Report to the Committee on President's Report. See page 47, 48.

The new members of Synod were introduced: Rev. Freeman A. Kunz, Rev. Carl L. Kauffman, Rev. Hugh E. Yost, Rev F. C. Trauterman.

Dr. E. A. Tappert, New York, representing the Board of American Missions, and Mr. Paulus List, manager of the Chicago branch of the United Lutheran Publication House, were introduced.

Rev. H. A. Anspach read the report of the Committee on Reference and Council. Adopted.

Carried that the first six pews constitute the bounds of Synod.

Rev. F. C. Weigman was elected Secretary.

Mr. J. H. Miller was elected Treasurer.

Mrs. C. B. Harman, representing the Women's Missionary Society of Nebraska, extended the greetings of her organization. The President responded.

Rev. T. D. Rinde was elected Statistician.

Rev. R. A. White was elected Historian.

Adjourned at 5:40. Prayer was offered by Rev. H. E. Yost.

SECOND SESSION, TUESDAY NIGHT, MAY 6.

The Brotherhood of the Nebraska Synod had charge of the first part of the session. Mr. Albert Hedelund presided at a dinner, beginning at seven o'clock. Music was furnished by the Sunday School Orchestra of the Host Church. Brief talks were given by Mr. Melvin Jennings of the Davenport Community Club; Judge H. Fischer of Omaha; Mr A. T. Yost of North Platte; Mr. F. E. Wood of Omaha; Mr. A. Nodean of Omaha. Adjourned at nine o'clock.

A worship service was conducted by Rev. J. C. Hershey, assisted by the Secretary, beginning at nine o'clock. Dr. E. A. Tappert, New York, spoke in the interest of the Board of American Missions. The President preached the annual Synodical sermon, on the text: Joshua 1:1-9. An offering of \$12.39 was received for the Synodical Treasury. The service was concluded at 10:15 o'clock.

THIRD SESSION, WEDNESDAY MORNING, MAY 7.

Chaplain Rev. W. C. Heidenreich conducted the devotional service at 8:45.

The President convened the business session at 9:22 o'clock. Prayer was offered by Rev. C. R. Lowe. 45 responded to Roll Call. Minutes were read and approved.

The President read the list of appointments to

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

President's Report

Rev. E. C. Mortensen
Rev. W. C. Heidenreich
Rev. L. H. Steinhoff
Mr. Albert Hedelund

Leave of Absence

Rev. J. C. Hershey
Rev. C. L. Kauffman
Rev. F. A. Kunz
Mr. Ernest Enke

Resolutions

Rev. H. W. Monesmith
Rev. E. A. Vosseler
Rev. C. R. Lowe
Mr. Weick

New Congregations

Rev. W. A. Klink
Rev. O. W. Ebright
Rev. R. E. Rangeler
Mr. I. M. Augustine

Conference Minutes and Reports

Rev. J. L. Sawyer
Rev. G. E. Mortensen
Rev. H. E. Yost
Mr. Boals

Letters and Papers

Rev. W. H. Saas
Rev. H. C. Cordts
Rev. F. C. Trauterman
Mr. Chas. Brant

Apportionment

Rev. T. D. Rinde
Mr. Jos. H. Miller
Mr. F. E. Wood
Mr. Fred Kahrs

Speakers and Chaplain

Rev. A. W. Young
Rev. L. M. Kuhns
Rev. J. C. Miller
Mr. E. T. Tramp

Mr. O. E. Schellberg was elected to the Executive Committee of Synod.

Mr. J. H. Miller read the

TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts

Cash last report	\$	1,260.02
Received on apportionment:		
United Lutheran Church	\$	21,012.52
Synod Treasury		4,197.37
Ministerial Education		1,171.03
Synod Missionary Committee		1,171.03
Tabitha Home		929.50
Midland College		6,425.98
Seminary Contingent Fund		409.86
Salem Church, Fremont		706.27
Synod Paper		570.87
		36,594.43
Tabitha Home, specials		437.60
Synod Treasury, refund W. M. S. & Lyons Bonding Co.....		175.15
Ministerial Education, refund M. W. Alexander		75.45
Midland College, special		140.23
Ministerial Pension		11,227.49
Foreign Missions, specials:		
Proteges	\$	965.00
General		1,331.29
		2,296.29
Miscellaneous:		
Waterloo Seminary, Ontario, Canada	\$	16.25
Board of Church Extension		4.16
American Missions		61.00
Russian Relief		12.75
Midland Assembly		27.00
Memorial Church, Denver		100.00
World Service		180.15
		401.31
		52,607.97

Disbursements

Treasurer United Lutheran Church	\$ 21,012.52
Tabitha Home	1,367.10
Nebraska Synod Lutheran	455.13
Midland College	6,976.07
Ministerial Pension	11,227.49
Salem Church, Fremont	706.27
Missionary Committee	1,171.03
Foreign Missions, specials	2,296.29
Miscellaneous	401.31

Ministerial Education:

Ed. L. Weitzenkamp	\$100.00
Leo R. Nelson	100.00
Geo. P. Krebs	125.00
Hugh Dowler	100.00
Werner Jessen	200.00
Geo. Eller	185.00
Ernest Hauger	200.00
Harry F. Coder	100.00
Clarence W. Alexander	100.00
Expenses	11.32

From Synod Treasury:

W. I. Guss	\$ 3,240.86
Megeath Stationery Co.	7.02
Chappel Printing Co.	11.50
Franklin Printing House	720.28
Midwest Engraving Co.	12.61
Martin Bros. & Co.	10.00
Alice Gary Gilchrist	96.00
Student Work in University	200.00
W. A. Klink	6.00
O. W. Ebright	3.53
E. C. Mortensen	26.78
J. C. Hershey	9.92
R. A. White	5.20
Jos. H. Miller	41.50
J. L. Sawyer	8.85
C. H. Kemper	5.01
Fred C. Weigman	10.00
H. F. Martin	5.20
G. Keller Rubrecht	21.05
H. A. Anspach	52.38
C. B. Harman	19.00
R. W. Livers	10.28
G. E. Mortensen	20.78
W. T. Kahse	6.00
K. de Freese	20.00
	\$4,569.75

Cash on hand	\$ 1,203.69
	\$52,682.97

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Cash on hand as follows:

Synod Treasurer	\$ 192.35
Ministerial Education	683.62
Nebraska Synod Lutheran	327.72
Received on apportionment	\$ 36,612.24
Received for externals	14,735.71
Deficit on apportionment	14,978.76
Percentage of apportionment paid	71.1%
Churches paying full apportionment	19
Churches paying no apportionment	2
Reduced Principal on Salem Church note	\$ 634.27

The loan of \$500.00 which the Synod made to St. James Church, Lincoln will be due March 3, 1930. This note draws no interest.

The Synod still owes on the note given to Salem Lutheran Church, Fremont \$565.73 plus interest.

Respectfully submitted

J. H. Miller, Treasurer.

The Treasurer's Report was adopted.

Mr. J. H. Miller read the

REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE

May 5, 1930.

Books of the Treasurer of the Nebraska Synod of the English Lutheran Church.

Cash at the beginning of the year	\$ 1260.02
Cash received during the year	51422.95
	\$52682.97
Disbursements during year	\$51479.38
Balance as of January 11 (Bank)	\$ 8,130.64
Book Balance as of January 11	\$ 1203.69
Outstanding checks	6926.95
	\$ 8,130.64

Respectfully submitted,

Auditing Committee

E. M. Stahl, chairman

The report was adopted.

TREASURER'S ANNUAL EXHIBIT

	Apport.	Paid	Percent	Specials	Totals
Allen	\$ 513.00	\$ 285.00	55.5	\$ 0.00	\$ 285.00
Auburn	1,125.00	1,125.00	100.0	453.00	1,578.00
Beatrice	625.00	647.00	103.5	301.48	948.48
Benedict, Bethel ..	144.00	0.00	0.0	0.00	0.00
Benedict, Zion ..	513.00	320.00	62.3	9.00	329.00
Dakota, Emman ..	100.00	8.00	8.0	5.00	13.00
Dakota, Salem ..	575.00	516.00	89.7	76.94	592.94
Davenport	838.00	838.00	100.0	287.02	1,125.02
Eagle	81.00	16.50	20.3	0.00	16.50
Emerson	950.00	950.00	100.0	366.00	1,316.00
Ericson	131.00	25.00	19.0	48.00	73.00
Falls City	625.00	300.00	48.0	77.75	377.75
Fremont	1,894.00	1,412.00	74.5	427.39	1,839.39
Gurley	563.00	255.00	45.3	133.00	388.00
Grand Island	2,719.00	1,571.00	57.7	1,386.00	2,957.00
Hamilton	613.00	428.00	69.8	121.76	549.76
Hardy	394.00	285.00	72.3	11.00	296.00
Hildreth	438.00	462.00	105.5	139.00	601.00
Hooper	881.00	577.65	65.5	72.00	649.65
Homer	238.00	21.00	8.8	10.00	31.00
Hubbard	94.00	13.00	13.8	10.00	23.00
Leigh	809.00	255.00	31.5	120.00	375.00
Lewellen	244.00	174.00	71.3	76.00	250.00
Lincoln, Grace ..	1,800.00	1,800.00	100.0	122.00	1,922.00
Lincoln, St. James..	188.00	189.00	100.0	97.00	286.00
McCool Jct.	350.00	350.00	100.0	22.00	372.00
Nebraska City	594.00	365.00	61.4	70.61	435.61
North Platte	2,294.00	2,294.00	100.0	1,169.00	3,463.00
Omaha, First	906.00	150.00	16.5	436.10	586.10
Omaha, Grace	781.00	634.00	81.2	113.73	747.73
*Omaha, K. M. ..	14,225.00	8,314.00	52.1	3,212.33	11,526.33
Omaha, Redeemer..	1,150.00	1,150.00	100.0	406.28	1,556.28
Omaha, St. Luke ..	1,769.00	1,787.00	101.0	1,047.90	2,834.90
Omaha, St. Mark ..	1,075.00	1,075.00	100.0	661.00	1,736.00
Oshkosh	181.00	0.00	0.0	20.00	20.00
Paxton	644.00	373.00	57.9	149.87	522.87
Ponca	906.00	401.00	44.2	79.15	480.15
Potter	188.00	188.00	100.0	127.00	315.00
Rising City	819.00	819.00	100.0	345.88	1,164.88
Sidney	525.00	415.00	79.0	162.00	577.00
So. Sioux City	463.00	463.00	100.0	50.00	513.00
Stamford	506.00	313.00	61.8	65.00	378.00
Stella	125.00	59.09	47.2	45.00	104.09
Sutherland	94.00	94.00	100.0	24.00	118.00
Tekamah	331.00	371.00	112.0	523.23	894.23
Verdon	738.00	428.00	58.0	290.50	718.50
Walton	556.00	90.00	16.1	0.00	90.00
Wayne	1,525.00	753.00	49.3	209.00	962.00
West Point	2,469.00	2,469.00	100.0	358.00	2,827.00
Wilber	325.00	269.00	82.7	130.00	399.00
Wolbach	669.00	234.00	33.4	225.00	459.00
York	281.00	281.00	100.0	148.00	429.00
Wilcox		5.00		0.00	5.00
Synod in session ..		40.19		0.00	40.19
M. W. Alexander ..				75.45	75.45
Women's Missionary Soc.				175.00	175.00
Lyons Bonding Co. ..				.15	.15

36,657.43

\$ 14,690.52 \$51,347.95

*Remittance of \$1,990.00 intended for 1929 was credited to 1928.

Mr. H. Fischer was elected lay trustee of Midland College.
Rev. R. A. White read

THE HISTORIAN'S REPORT

The Historian reports:

1. The clerical register and card index are complete to date. Since the last report there have been ten accessions to the membership of the Synod, one by return of ordination papers, two by licensure, and seven by letters from other Synods. In the same time seven were dismissed to other Synods, leaving a net gain of three. There have been 371 accessions to clerical roll of synod since its organization in 1871.

2. There are four bound volumes of printed minutes in the possession of the Historian and seven unbound copies extending from 1925 to 1929. As there are sufficient for another volume, I recommend that the Historian be authorized to have them bound in three copies and marked Vol. V, one copy to be given to Midland College, one to the Secretary of the Synod, and one to be kept by the Historian.

Respectfully submitted,
R. A. White, Historian.

The report and its recommendation were adopted.
Rev. T. D. Rinde read

STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF NEBRASKA

For the year 1929.

The regular blanks for the Parochial Reports and the reports on the State of the Church were sent out as required by Synod.

Out of 52 blanks sent out, 51 were returned. 21 reports on late, 28 reports had errors in them and only 4 reports had cents in them. The reports show that there are still 7 congregations whose fiscal year does not correspond to the calendar year. Some pastors made the mistake of entering the apportionment for 1930, instead of that for 1929, in their reports. Other pastors reported having received a certain number of members by confirmation and yet failed to report that they had had any catechumens under their instruction during the year.

In only 13 congregations are the men organized, while there are 86 women's societies, and 67 young people's. It appears that the men are a little slow in the matter of organization.

In making out the Parochial Reports all pastors should keep in mind that one error in their report may necessitate the changing of figures in several places. All errors make an already tedious task more tedious.

After all reports had been tabulated upon the Assembly Sheet the following increases were noted:

Baptized members 781, confirmed 515, communing 262, subscriptions to official church papers 41, Sunday School papers distributed 398, subscriptions to other church papers 187, Sunday School Officials and Teachers 33, teachers in week-day schools 9, scholars 97, catechumens 234, students for the ministry 7, students in Lutheran institutions 9, men's societies 1, members 17, members in women's societies 104, unusual congregational expenses \$14,404, total congregational expenditures \$4,706.

The decreases noted are as follows:

Accessions by adult baptism 28, by certificate 14, losses otherwise 303, Sunday Schools 2, scholars 122, students in non-Lutheran institutions 41, young people's societies 5, members 170, valuation of church property \$13,509, indebtedness on church property \$10,811, current congregational expenses \$2,729, total benevolence, including unapportioned \$6978.

Progress has been made in some departments, while losses have taken place in other departments. We should not be satisfied until progress is noted in all departments.

Respectfully submitted
Thomas D. Rinde
Statistical Secretary

The report was adopted.

Mr. Albert Hedelund read
**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FULL TIME
SALARIED PRESIDENT**

Your committee on full time salaried president, after careful consideration of the matter, and after consultations with President F. H. Knubel, other officers of the U. L. C. A. Boards, Synodical officers, and also with Pastors and Laymen of Synod, and after careful review of the records, both prior and subsequent to the change to full time salaried president, is unanimously of the opinion that the office of full time salaried president should be continued and so recommends to Synod.

A list of the major considerations in support of the decision has been prepared, is appended, and if requested by Synod will be presented.

Respectfully submitted,
Geo. P. Kabele Chairman

The report was adopted.

Mr. H. Fischer read the report of the Trustees of Midland College. Dr. H. F. Martin was heard in connection. Carried that the discussion of the report be continued after dinner.

Adjourned at 11:55. Prayer was offered by Rev. A. W. Young.

EXECUTIVE SESSION, WEDNESDAY NOON, MAY 7.

The President convened the Executive Session at 12 noon. Prayer was offered by Rev. W. H. Saas.
Rev. C. B. Harman read

THE REPORT OF THE EXAMINING COMMITTEE

The Examining Committee would report that

1. That during the year, by mail vote, they approved each of the five new members enrolled as given in the President's report.
2. That the action of Synod last year, instructing this committee to confer with the examining committees of adjoining synods, with reference to a uniform examination of candidates for licensure and ordination, has been communicated to the synods indicated. The committee is pleased to report that favorable response has been received, giving assurance that the matter would receive attention at the sessions of these synods this spring. We recommend that the efforts be continued by the Examining Committee in behalf of this important matter.
4. That Licentiate Arthur H. Pinkall, with a call from our congregation at South Sioux City, having made application for ordination, has appeared before the Examining Committee and passed a highly satisfactory examination. We, therefore, recommend that he be ordained by our Synod at the service this Wednesday evening.

Respectfully submitted by the Committee,
Rev. C. B. Harman, chairman

The report was adopted. Carried that paragraph 3 be omitted from the printed minutes.

Adjourned at 12:25 to meet at 1:30. Prayer was offered by Rev. F. C. Trauterman.

EXECUTIVE SESSION, WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON MAY 7.

The adjourned executive session was convened at 1:35 by the President. Prayer was offered by Rev. C. L. Kauffman.

Carried that the Ministerial Education Committee be empowered to collect the money due on notes remaining unpaid by beneficiaries not complying with Art. V, Sec. 4, of the Constitution of Synod. Carried that the notes of beneficiaries who have been in the ministry ten years be returned to them. Adjourned at 2:35. Prayer was offered by Rev. R. A. White.

FOURTH SESSION, WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 7.

The fourth session was convened by the President at 2:40. Prayer was offered by Rev. J. L. Sawyer. Discussion of the report of the Trustees of Midland College was resumed. Carried that the report be referred back to the Trustees.

Rev. O. W. Ebright was elected clerical trustee of Midland College.

Rev. W. T. Kahse read

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ADJUDICATION

We are happy to report that all relations between the congregations of this Synod and other Lutheran bodies have been so pleasant that no matter of any kind was referred to this Committee for consideration.

Respectfully submitted,
William Theo. Kahse, chairman

The report was adopted.

Rev. R. E. Rangeler and Mr. J. H. Humpe were elected Trustees of Tabitha Home.

Mr. H. Fischer was elected lay trustee of Midland College.

Rev. K. deFreese read

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION

The Committee on Ministerial Education wishes to report that during the past year three meetings were held in Fremont, Nebraska.

A plan to publish short articles in the Nebraska Synod Lutheran, setting forth the nature and purpose of the work of the committee, was inaugurated. The first article appeared in the last issue of the synodical paper.

During the last year five applicants received aid.

They are as follows:—

Mr. Clarence Alexander, Freshman	\$200.00
Mr. George Eller, Sophomore	200.00
Mr. George Kæbs, Junior	150.00
Mr. Ernest Haugse, Sophomore	200.00
Mr. Werner Jessen, Junior	200.00

In our report last year the committee recommended and the Synod adopted the following recommendation:-

"That we recommend to Synod that the work of the committee on ministerial education be entirely reconstructed and that the committee on ministerial education of our synod be empowered to make a full and complete revision of its work and report back to synod at its next regular session."

We herewith present a revised application blank.
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We wish to recommend:-

(1) That the Ministerial education fund be granted, \$1500.00 by the Apportionment Committee.

Rev. K. de Freese, chairman

The report was adopted.

Rev. W. T. Kahse read

Report of Ministerial Pensions and Relief Committee

In presenting this report, the chairman of this committee is greatly indebted to the Synodical Treasurer for his aid and to the office of our Synod for a complete list of the amounts received by our churches for Ministerial Pensions and Relief. After a final survey we find the total amount pledged by our Synod brought \$54,793.00. That the amount contributed during the year 1928 reached the total of \$22,419.00 and that the amount received by our Treasurer during the year 1929 was \$11,227.49. It is to be noted that the amount received during 1929 fell far short of the obligation and has left our churches with a tremendous burden for this year. Only 61% of our obligation could thus be sent in to the General Office when 80% was expected. It is also the fact that during the months of January, February, March and April of this year only \$1,889.35 reached the office of our Treasurer, and with it 11 congregations met their obligation to this fund in full. Thus it can be seen that a still heavier responsibility rests upon those churches in arrears. The amount pledged by our church was \$54,793.00; the total received up to April 28th, was \$35,536.00 and the amount now due, \$19,257.00.

Taking for granted that many of our churches send in their benevolences monthly our Synodical Treasurer may have received substantial payments since this report was gathered. However, it is certain that many of our churches will have to give this matter immediate attention. We earnestly entreat the pastors of those churches which failed to meet their obligation to this fund to co-operate with the local chairman in their congregations to gather in the amount of pledges made without any further loss of time. To delay this matter will be most harmful to the cause and is damaging to those who gave us their pledge.

For your convenience a complete list is attached setting forth the standing of our churches.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rev. William Theo. Kahse, chairman

	Ministerial Pensions Subscriptions	Total Paid 1929	Balance Due Jan. 1, 1930.	Paid Jan., Feb., Mar., and April.	Balance Now Due
Allen	\$ 972.00		470.00	200.00	270.00
Auburn	1415.00	300.00	300.00	200.00	100.00
Beatrice	960.00	279.00	100.00		100.00
Benedict Zion					
Dakota Emmanuel	65.00		55.00	20.00	25.00
Dakota Salem	175.00		65.00		65.00
Davenport	813.00	214.44	30.00		30.00
Eagle					
Emerson	841.00	236.00	129.00	70.10	59.00
Ericson	170.00	48.00	54.00		54.00
Falls City	254.00	65.50	21.00	25.00	
Fremont	1820.00	370.00	663.00	145.00	518.00
Grand Island	3465.00	1386.00	693.00		693.00
Gurley	830.00	111.00	412.00		412.00
Hampton	465.00	69.00	73.00		73.00
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Hildreth	135.00	34.00		42.00	
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Omaha Redeemer..	1275.00	2087.00	6501.00	200.00	6300.00
Omaha St. Luke	2580.00	342.50	401.00	67.00	
Omaha St. Mark..	2237.00	881.40	769.00	101.00	334.00
Oshkosh	50.00	600.00	479.00		479.00
Paxton	422.00	20.00	30.00		20.00
Ponca	470.00	80.00	130.00		130.00
Potter	357.00	79.15	270.00	25.00	245.00
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Sidney	600.00	134.00	154.00	178.25	
So. Sioux City	258.00	144.00	198.00		198.00
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Stella	160.00	50.00	275.00		275.00
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The report was adopted.

Rev. E. C. Bates of the Methodist, and Rev. Louis Ernst of the Missouri Synod Lutheran, churches of Davenport were introduced. Mr. Paulus List of the United Lutheran Publication House, Chicago Branch, was heard.

Rev. R. E. Rangeler read

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF TABITHA HOME

During the past year Tabitha Home has given shelter to 93 boys and girls. There are at present 34 girls and 39 boys, a total of 73 in the home. This means that Nazareth, the building for children, is crowded to capacity.

Seventy-seven aged have found a home at Tabitha the past year. 14 aged were admitted, three were dismissed, 13 passed on to the other life, leaving at present 29 men and 32 women, a total of 61, in the aged department.

This is a splendid record of serving love, but many others have made application who could not be admitted for lack of room, which we trust may be provided at a very early date.

Receipts from all sources the past year totaled \$56465.78. Expenses include \$7998.75 for plant operation, \$12618.44 for cost of service rendered, \$19327.40 for administrative expenses, 1022.42 for funeral expenses and \$3296.50 for equipment. Total disbursements of \$44263.51. This leaves a balance of \$12202.27 divided as follows: Building fund \$9942.00; general fund \$3240.00 and cash in office \$19.41. These figures are of December 31, 1929. However outstanding bills always wipe out any balance in the general fund and Tabitha needs your help as never before.

Contributions from the Nebraska Synod include \$1144.79 from Synodical treasury and \$621.57 from congregations and individuals for general fund, and \$178.31 from Synodical treasury and \$1895.18 from Congregations and individuals for the building fund. Besides this, Tabitha received from our Synod 10½ cases of eggs, 3500 quarts of canned goods and the much appreciated contributions of butter, chickens, potatoes, cookies, fruits and vegetables as well as bed linens, clothing and the like.

Tabitha's urgent need is the new fire-proof building which will provide room for the helpless and bedfast; sickroom and isolation facilities for contagious disease, and Chapel room for worship and services. All too slowly are the Congregations responding to this appeal. But three Congregations have contributed the amount asked for of \$1.00 per member.

Tabitha sincerely appreciated the interest and the support of all our people and earnestly asks for its continuance. Mention is very appropriately made in this report of the services rendered to Tabitha by Sister Ida, who on May 4th completed 20 years of service at Tabitha Home. This occasion was celebrated by Tabitha as well as by St. James Congregation where Sister Ida worships.

Tabitha loses one of her consecrated workers, Miss Frances Lolling. Seldom do we find a trained nurse of her qualifications who is willing to give up more remunerative fields of employment to serve childhood in its need. Your trustees regret very much this change in the ministering personnel of Tabitha Home.

Recommendation

We recommend that Tabitha again be allotted 5 percent of the apportionment, the same as last year.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. H. Humpe

R. E. Rangeler

Rev. E. Walter was heard in connection with the report.
The report was adopted.

Rev. O. W. Ebright read

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON LAYMEN'S MOVEMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP

In the report made by your Committee last year, a recommendation was offered to the effect that the Committee for Stewardship be made up of those who are accessible one with the other, in order that they might work together with the Stewardship Committees in the local congregations. This was apparently overlooked by the Executive Committee. Therefore, that phase of work by which the Synodical Committee would present information to the Congregational Committees was not carried out to the full and proper extent.

In October, requests were sent to all of the churches of the Synod inclosing self-addressed post cards by which the pastors could return to the Synodical Committee the names of the members of their local Stewardship Committees. Out of approximately forty-five requests for this information there were sixteen returned.

In our endeavor to get the co-operation of the local churches we found not only a spirit of indifference but on the part of some, a spirit of opposition and resentment. We believe that the pastors are largely responsible for the attitude taken by Laymen in these matters. It is the old story of pastors and congregations being unwilling to co-operate in Synodical movements, which is because they do not personally see the benefit of, nor feel inclined to participate in the same.

The questionnaire that was sent out by our President revealed the following interesting facts: of fifty churches that reported, nineteen reached the Synodical goal of 100% apportionment paid. Five congregations or perhaps we should say pastors and councils confess having used money contributed for benevolence for the support of the local church. We can but say, "Bretheran, these things ought not to be." We believe that it is dishonest and that it would correspond in the business world to that criminal action of misappropriation of funds.

We were gratified to notice that practically all of the pastors preached Stewardship and Tithing Sermons and most of them gave out special literature upon this subject. We could hardly believe that fifteen, or approximately one-third of the churches in the Nebraska Synod do not use the Duplex envelopes. There are two of these which do not sue the Duplex envelopes but which have paid their apportionment in full during the past year. Therefore, there are thirteen of the churches which do not use the Duplex envelopes and do not pay their apportionment in full. There must be a close relation between the two. The Duplex envelopes give the individual the opportunity to contribute to the great benevolent work of the church according to the personal response to the needs and the appeal of this work. It may be hard to get some congregations to use this form of contribution but the advisability of it is certainly revealed by results obtained.

Twenty-six of the churches of the Synod do not send in their apportionment monthly, as is required by the Synod. This is a great handicap to the Synodical work. Last October, when 75% of the benevolence was due only 38% had been paid in. Certainly, in a great many cases, the money was on hand in the local Treasury but the Treasurer had simply failed to send it to Doctor Miller. There seems to be a lack of the spirit of co-operation in doing that which will work out for the best interests of the church at large.

During the season when the Congregational Meetings were being held this winter we noticed newspaper reports from two of our Lutheran congregations. One announced, "The year closed with all bills paid." Another announced, "No outstanding obligations." Yet neither of these congregations paid their apportioned benevolence in full. Is the benevolence not an obligation? Is it not just as much of an obligation as a coal bill or the pastor's salary? If our pastors and Church Councils would lay upon the hearts of the congregation the responsibility of paying each month, one-twelfth of the apportioned benevolence, we believe that with but a few exceptions the apportionment would be paid in full.

We believe that if this committee were composed of members who could and would keep in personal touch with congregations which do not pay their benevolence (and pay it monthly), they could by the use of literature arouse such congregations to their responsibility — provided always that the local pastor co-operates. No one has power over the head of the pastor and if the pastors are more interested in their local church than in the whole church and the larger development of Christ's Kingdom synodical power is helpless, and synodical resolutions mean nothing.

Recommendation

1: That our Executive Committee in appointing the Committee on Laymen's Movement for Stewardship, appoint those who are accessible one with the other and include in the Committee the Treasurer of the Synod.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rev. O. W. Ebricht, Chairman

The report was adopted.

Messrs. Albert Hedelund and A. T. Yost were elected lay delegates to the United Lutheran Church Convention.

Rev. G. K. Rubrecht read

REPORT OF COMMITTEE FOR STUDENT WORK IN NON-LUTHERAN INSTITUTIONS

During the past school year of 1929—1930, the Lutheran student enrollment at the University of Nebraska has been about 25 less than a year ago—about 450. Of these, nearly 150 are affiliated with churches of the Synodical Conference, and have been served by their regular student pastor.

The proportion of the remaining 300 is estimated as follows: Nebraska Synod and other Lutheran Synods 140; German Nebraska Synod 25; Augustana Synod 70; United Danish 15; Miscellaneous 50. The Committee for Lutheran Student Work has endeavored to minister to these. Mr. Herbert Dichsen has served his second year as Student Secretary.

The work of the Lutheran Club has evidenced growth and stability. The membership has gone over 70. The programs arranged for the semi-monthly meetings have sought to serve constructive as well as social functions. At each regular meeting, an interesting subject by a competent speaker has been presented as a feature, among whom were Student Pastor Henry Erck of the Missouri Synod, Rev. E. C. Sibberson of Topeka, Kansas, Rev. J. Huebner, Dean of Martin Luther Seminary, Prof. A. V. Arlton of the University, Rev. Ralph Rangeler, Rev. G. Keller Rubrecht, D. D., and Rev. M. Koolen, D. D., pastors in Lincoln. Two joint meetings have been held with the Missouri group, the all-Lutheran reception on Sept. 27, and a Christmas party on Dec. 15. Nine students represented the University Club at the Conference of

the Southwestern Region of the Lutheran Student Association, which met at Dana College, Blair, from March 21 to March 23. The year's program of the club closed with a banquet Friday evening, April 25, at which Dr. William Zimmerman of Midland College was the speaker.

The Secretary has been able to maintain direct contact with about one-third of the students. He has co-operated in a general way with the Federation of Church Workers on the campus. He spoke in the Student Holy Week services, on Wednesday, at the University Episcopal Church.

The support of the work this year has been as follows: the Board of Education of the United Lutheran Church, \$600.00; Nebraska Conference of the Augustana Synod, \$200.00; Nebraska Synod, \$200.00, and German Nebraska Synod \$200.00, a total of \$1200.00. A year ago the Committee asked for increased appropriations for better quarters. As a consequence, an attractive office has been set up in the Temple Building where there was formerly a desk. This has facilitated the work.

However, the Committee feel that "there is yet room" for expanding the student ministry at the University of Nebraska. To that end, they appeal for your continued, and if it be deemed worthy, your increased support.

Some work is done at other non-Lutheran institutions in the state notably at Wayne where Pastor Heidenreich ministers to about 50 Lutheran students attending the State Normal School.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rev. G. Keller Rubrecht, chairman

The report was adopted.

Mr. B. M. Boals was elected third lay delegate to the United Lutheran Church Convention. Rev. R. E. Rangeler, Rev. A. O. Frank, Rev. W. A. Klink, Rev. J. L. Sawyer were elected clerical delegates to the United Lutheran Church convention.

Rev. W. I. Guss read

REPORT OF MISSIONS COMMITTEE

The committee held seven meetings during the year. The following officers were elected:

President, Rev. R. W. Livers; Secretary, Rev. W. I. Guss; Treasurer, Mr. Albert Hedelund.

After Dr. Livers removed from our Synod Mr. Otto Nelson was elected, President.

At the last meeting of Synod the committee was instructed to secure a "Field Missionary". This was the provision, "That the Board of American Missions shall provide one-half or more of the salary of the Field Missionary".

This matter was discussed with the Executive Secretary, Dr. F. F. Fry, who met with our committee on July 9, 1929. Dr. Fry could give the committee no assurance of sufficient funds to support a Field Missionary in as much as there is a shortage of funds in the Board's Treasury. Accordingly the committee decided that in as much as the expense would be too great, if paid from the funds of our local committee, that the matter would be unadvisable at this time.

The following missions have been under the supervision of the committee for the past year.

South Sioux City, First—Organized in 1920. Rev. George E. Mortensen, who so successfully served as pastor in this mission for six and one-half years, relinquished the work in February. He is now the pastor at Grace, Omaha. Pastor Mortensen during his pastorate increased the communing membership from 48 to 124, and the average of the church school attendance from 44 to 144. The beautiful church, valued at \$20,000.00 was erected during his pastorate, and the apportioned benevolence was paid in full every year. \$4,000.00 was recently paid on the indebtedness. The pastor has been supplying the churches at Homer and Hubbard.

The congregation extended a "Call" to Rev. Arthur Pinkall who graduates this year from the Western Theological Seminary. He is supplying the mission until June when he will assume the full duties of pastor. The future for this mission is very bright.

Lincoln, St. James—Organized in 1924. Rev. R. E. Rangeler is the pastor. The church school enrollment is 130 with an average attendance of 116 for the first quarter of 1930. For the same time, the morning church attendance was 78. The communing membership is 41. The adult accessions for the past year were 19.

The exterior of the chapel was repainted. The interior was papered so as to give the room a churchly appearance. An electric bulletin board was given by two friends. An organ was installed for use in the church services, and other improvements made.

The apportioned benevolence was paid with a small excess. The finances are much improved. The mission was able, for the first time to pay the annual street paving tax. Pastor Rangeler continues to serve the Walton-Eagle parish in connection with St. James. He preaches three sermons every Sunday morning. The situation at St. James has assumed an encouraging atmosphere since Rev. Rangeler is the pastor and the future is full of promise.

York, First United—Organized 1927. Rev. J. L. Sawyer is pastor. There was an increase of over 11% in the communing membership which now numbers 64. The average church attendance for the last quarter was 62, and that of the school was 51.

The apportioned benevolence was paid in full, and \$417.00 was paid on the debt. The auditorium was redecorated at a cost of \$115.00. The finances are in good shape. The mission is looking forward to becoming self-supporting. The mission is well organized and the members are actively supporting the pastor and the congregation. Last year the members gave an average of over \$41.00 per capita. The pastor writes me "At present all things point to good success during the coming year."

Spencer, United—A temporary organization has been in this town for over a year. Last June Student Rev. Hugh Dowler, of the Western Theological Seminary was sent to this field as supply pastor. He has done a very good work. Since the opening of the Seminary last Fall he has continued to supply the mission. On March 16, 1930 a permanent organization was effected. The number of confirmed members is 64, of these 58 are resident and active.

The enrollment of the school is 79, and the Luther League has 20 members. There is also an active Ladies Aid Society. The Duplex envelope System of finance has been introduced. The combination service is being used. "It is very successful" writes Pastor Dowler. He also writes very optimistically as to the future prospects for development.

This mission is making a formal application to become a member of this Synod. A "call" to become the regular pastor has been given Rev. Hugh Dowler. He has informed me that he will assume full charge of the congregation after graduation.

Dalton—The situation at this place is still uncertain. The matter

as to who is entitled to the church property is still in the hands of the Supreme Court. Upon this decision will depend our next move.

July 21, 1929 the members of the Dalton congregation voted to worship with the congregation at Gurley until final disposition of the case in court.

A number of adults united with this church after being instructed by your Missionary Superintendent. Dr. W. T. Kahse is looking after the congregation temporarily.

Homer-Hubbard—Your Superintendent met with some of the officers from these congregations in March. The matter of calling a pastor by these churches was discussed. There seems to be a desire for this arrangement. To get this accomplished some aid will probably be required from the mission funds. Until these plans are consummated these churches will be supplied by our pastor at South Sioux City.

Your Superintendent in company with Revs. Lewis, Anspach, Kemper, and Mr. Tramp visited the town of **McCook**. Here we Lutherans lost a good brick church, now in the hands of another denomination. What may be done there now by us is very uncertain.

The town of **Cordova** was visited in company with Revs. Sawyer and E. Mortensen. There is nothing there for us.

The committee has plans for the development of the proposed work in the Dundee section of Omaha, which, it is hoped, will be brought into some definite action in the near future.

Other places are before the Committee for consideration. Some of these may be developed by pastors who live in adjacent communities, in co-operation with the Mission Committee.

LOANS TO CHURCHES

Your Committee has a loan secured by notes, to the Lincoln St. James Church, in the amount of \$1019.87.

The following loans have been made to churches within our Synod by the Church Extension department of the Board of American Missions of the United Lutheran Church in America.

Location	Name	Date of Loan	Maturity	Amount
Benson (Omaha)	First	1908	1913	1200.00
Ericson	First	1899	1904	150.00
Fremont	Salem	1924	1929	15000.00
Hooper	Grace	1916	1927	600.00
Lincoln,	Grace	1893	1898	4000.00
Omaha	Grace	1896	1901	3000.00
Omaha	St. Luke	1909-10	1914-15	2625.00
South Sioux City	First	1925	1930	5000.00
York	First	1908-22	1913-27	800.00

Recommended, that 3%, or \$165.00, of the Synodical apportionment be given to the Committee for the coming year.

Attached hereto is the Auditor's Report of the Committee's records. (see page 39).

Respectfully Submitted,
W. I. Guss, Secretary

The report was adopted.

AUDITOR'S REPORT OF MISSION COMMITTEE RECORDS

Omaha, Nebr., May 4, 1930.

To whom it may concern:

This is to certify that we have this day carefully examined and audited the books, papers and records of the Synodical Missionary and Church Extension Committee of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska, Albert Hedelund, Treasurer, and find the same to be correct in all details.

Balance in U. S. National Bank, in open checking account, according to the Treasurer's book, as of May 3, 1930. \$401.69.
No outstanding vouchers.

Balance according to U. S. National Bank statement, \$401.69

Balance on deposit in savings account, at U. S. National Bank, savings Department, according to the Treasurer's record, as of May 3, 1930\$719.37

Same drawing 3% interest per annum. Payable each January and July 1.

Balance according to U. S. National Bank, Savings Department, according to their Pass Book\$719.37

The monies in open checking at U. S. National Bank standing to the credit of the Synodical Missionary and Church Extension Committee.

The monies in the Savings account at U. S. National Bank, Savings Department, standing to the credit of Albert Hedelund, Treasurer.

Respectfully Submitted,

H. C. Gustafson, A. E. Hilbert,
Auditing Committee

Messrs. I. M. Augustine and Ernst Enke were elected fourth and fifth lay delegates to the United Lutheran Church Convention.

Rev. R. A. White read

THE REPORT OF THE NECROLOGIST

Your Necrologist is happy to report that none of our clerical members, or any of our prominent laymen, have died during the year; neither have there been any deaths in any of our families. I recommend that this report be adopted by the rising vote, and that the president lead in a prayer of thanksgiving for this merciful preservation.

Respectfully Submitted,

R. A. White, Necrologist

The report was adopted.

Prayer was offered by the President. Adjourned at 5:30.

FIFTH SESSION, ORDINATION SERVICE,**WEDNESDAY NIGHT, MAY 7.**

The evening service was conducted by Rev. J. C. Hershey. The ordination service was conducted by the President and Secretary and the Examining Committee. The ordination sermon was preached by Rev. L. M. Kuhns. Mr. A. H. Pinkall was ordained. An offering of \$20.60 was received for the Synodical Treasury.

SIXTH SESSION, THURSDAY MORNING, MAY 8.

Chaplain Rev. W. C. Heidenreich conducted the morning devotional service at 8:50. The President convened the business session at 9:25. 54 responded to Roll Call.

Rev. W. I. Guss was elected fifth clerical delegate to the United Lutheran Church Convention.

Rev. H. C. Cordts read

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LETTERS AND PAPERS

Your committee received the following letters and papers for consideration:

Greetings from the Rocky Mountain Synod which convenes at Trinity Church, Boulder, Colorado, May 6-8, 1930.

A communication from President F. H. Knubel relative to the United Lutheran Church Convention to be held at Milwaukee this year.

And a communication from Rev. F. C. Schuldt, president of the German Nebraska Synod expressing his inability to be with us on account of the death of a niece.

Your committee recommends:

That this body send greetings to our sister Synod in convention at Boulder, Colorado.

Further, That this body send its expression of Christian sympathy to Rev. Schuldt in his bereavement.

And that the following advice of Dr. Knubel be read to the delegates to the United Lutheran Church Convention: "The delegates selected by the synods ought to be strong men, who know the interests of Lutheranism and of the U. L. C. A. and of their own synods, who will also prepare themselves by a careful reading and study of the Bulletin of the Convention. The synods should furthermore present to the convention, either thru their delegates or through memorials, all constructive and carefully conceived propositions they desire to have considered."

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. W. H. Saas, chairman

The report was adopted.

Carried that the greetings of the president of the German Nebraska Synod be printed in the Minutes.

DIE DEUTSCHE EV. LUTHERISCHE SYNODE VON NEBRASKA.

Hastings, Nebraska.,
May 5, 1930.

Rev. W. I. Guss, D. D., President
Ev. Lutheran Nebraska Synod
Davenport, Nebr.

My dear Mr. President:

I wish to thank you for your cordial invitation to attend the Nebraska Synod - In behalf of the German Nebraska Synod I wish to convey to your Synod hearty greetings and best wishes, hoping that the sessions may be rich in blessings and of great benefit to pastors and congregations.

I am glad that progress has been made toward a closer union and a more hearty co-operation between the two Nebraska Synods, which is especially evident in the arrangements thus far made for the educational campaign to be taken up this Fall.

Praying that the Lord may crown the work of your Synod with abundant success in the building of His Kingdom, I am

Yours most sincerely,

F. C. Schuldt, President,
Die Deutsche Lutherische Synode
von Nebraska.

The Secretary read the report of the Executive Committee. Items 1, 3, and 4. adopted. Carried to recommit Item 2 to the Committee. (See page 48).

Messrs. E. C. Wharton S. A. Wassum, August Prestegaard, E. E. Rodysill, Marius Christensen were elected alternate lay delegates to the United Lutheran Church Convention.

Rev. J. C. Hershey read

THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON INNER MISSIONS

Nothing has come before your committee demanding its special attention. However we are sad to learn that so few of our congregations have opened their doors to Dr. Walter as was recommended at last meeting of Synod. In view of the fact that "Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, to visit the fatherless and the widows in their affliction," we recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

That the congregations of Synod permit Dr. E. Walter or his representative, explain the great need of a new building for the bedridden and helpless and appeal for funds for the construction of the same.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rev. J. C. Hershey, chairman

The report was adopted.

Rev. J. C. Miller read

THE REPORT OF THE FOREIGN MISSION COMMITTEE

As chairman of the Foreign Mission Committee I beg to report that the Committee after meeting with Dr. M. E. Thomas, secretary of the board of Foreign Missions, carried out the suggestion made at this meeting. In letters and Synodical paper the needs of the Board were stated as clearly as our knowledge of the problem allowed. The response and co-operation of the pastors on the field were of the finest kind. We have no way of knowing the total answer and sum made to the appeal by the Synod. Dr. J. H. Miller, the treasurer, will undoubtedly report on that.

Some of the pastors made use of the fine slides sent out by the Board. Fine reports were received in regard to the same. We recommend them to brethren for further use.

The Committee was not able, as planned, to work out a study program on Missions for the Synod. In looking into the matter, the chairman found that there was such a lack of uniformity in this respect that the situation would have to be more carefully studied before any suggestions could be made. Time did not allow that this year. We recommend, as chairman, that this matter be studied so that some uniform suggestions that will be of value to all the pastors, can be made.

Fraternally yours,

Rev. J. J. Raun, chairman

The report was adopted.

Rev. H. C. Cordts read the report of the

COMMITTEE ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH

Your Committee on State of the Church has received reports from 44 out of a possible 52 congregations, and notes the following conditions in our churches.

Twenty-seven report increased attendances, two a decrease, and 15 as stationary.

One church has three services per Sunday; 17 two services most or all of the year; 24 one service; one three a month; and one a service every other Sunday.

Twenty-three use the Common Service Book while 21 do not, most of the latter report using the Book of Worship.

The average morning attendances vary from 1200 in two services to 5. Omitting Kountze Memorial the average morning attendance is 94. The Sun. evening attendance varies from 700 to 10, and again omitting Kountze Memorial averages 43. Most of the evening services are of an informal nature, some consisting of League meetings or Study classes.

Only three report mid-week meetings outside of the lenten season with very small attendances.

Almost all report that family worship is not observed very extensively; one, however, by 50%.

Forty stress and observe Lent and Holy Week, while four do not.

One reports six communion seasons per year, 42 observe 4, and one two communion seasons per year. Three report preparatory services for the communion on the preceeding Friday nights, others just preceeding or in connection with their communion services.

Nearly all give non-Lutherans special instruction before reception into the Church. They are variously received by letter, confirmation or confession of faith.

Twenty plan two years of catechetical instruction.

There are no societies entirely social in character in our churches.

Most report difficulty in keeping the young people from drifting from the churches. Among the solutions offered are the following: "Better parental example and adult willingness to see youth youthful in the church." "Enlist them in work of some kind." "Stricter enforcement of prohibition and better parental authority in regard to dances, etc." "Organized effort." "Greater home pressure and more interest in S. S. by adults." "A good Luther League and S. S." "I keep after them." "Friendly pastoral solicitation. More frequent and worth while sociability of young toward young." "Go out after them and see that they come to S. S. and interest them in catechetical instruction." "Keep them busy." "More consistant practice of Christianity and evidence of greater interest on the part of the parents." "To remind Christian parents of their parental stewardship and the exercising of it." "Personal interest in their problems." "Give them more time and attention." "A more Christian atmosphere in the homes would be a great help." "Less organizations, less worldly programs and more simple Gospel preached in an understanding way." "Preaching and teaching of the Word of God. If the dances and the Sunday movies were out it would help."

Eleven Brotherhoods are reported with 266 members, nearly all reporting them as successful organizations.

Most of the churches have Every Member Canvasses.

The salaries of our pastors average \$1952, all but eight also having parsonages.

Most of the church records are reported in good order but many have not made proper provision for their safe-keeping. Less than half report that all their treasurers reports are audited.

Seven of our pastors serve two churches and two serve three. The following facts are noted with respect to our Sunday Schools:

Lutheran literature is used almost exclusively. 30 use the Augsburg lessons in whole or in part of school; 19 use the graded in whole or part of school; five the graded lessons alone.

Eighty-two adult classes are reported, total enrollment 1729, average 21.

An average of 55% of the S. S. are reported as attending public worship. Six report 100%, three of these, having the combination service, namely Hampton, Kountze Memorial and St. Luke's, Omaha. The other three are Eagle, Walton and Potter.

St. Luke's, Omaha, is the only one using the small duplex envelopes in the S. S.

Thirteen report all their councilmen in the S. S.; 5 none; 3 very few; and the other 23 average 4 each.

Twenty-eight pastors teach in S. S., 12 exercise a supervisory relationship; while four report no part in the S. S.

Twenty-three churches report 120 S. S. scholars received into the churches during the year by baptism. It is probable that some included their infant baptisms in this report.

Twenty-nine churches report 319 confirmed during the year.

Nineteen churches report 252 unbaptized S. S. scholars - others answered indefinitely.

Twenty-nine churches report 728 parents who are not members of their congregations - others answered indefinitely.

Twelve churches report 87 baptized members of their congregations attending other Sunday schools; 14 report none; others answered indefinitely.

Respectfully Submitted,

Geo. P. Kabele

The report was adopted.

Rev. W. C. Heidenreich read

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM

Your Committee on Evangelism rejoices in the growing interest manifest in the salvation of souls by the congregations of the Synod of Nebraska, and in the many accessions reported by the churches during this Synodical year.

As the subject of Evangelism was emphasized at the various conferences, your committee has undertaken no definite work.

We recommend that this year, commemorating the 400th Anniversary of the Augsburg Confession, be made an opportunity for still greater effort, through adult catechisation and personal evangelism, in winning men for the kingdom.

We further recommend, that at least one institute on evangelism be held in each district before the next meeting of Synod. To this end it is suggested, that the pastors and delegates representing each district, meet before the close of Synod and select one of their number to cooperate with the committee in arranging such institutes, his name to be handed to the secretary of Synod who shall send the names to the chairman of the Committee on Evangelism.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rev. W. C. Heidenreich, chairman

The report was adopted.

Rev. J. L. Sawyer read

REPORT ON TITHERS' LEAGUE

Your Committee is happy to report a fine increase in the membership of the Tither's League, the membership increasing from 88 to 102 during the past year.

There have been several attempts to organize local Tithers' Leagues. However, the only successful organization is the Storehouse Tithers' League of Zion Church, Benedict.

Your Committee sent copies of the constitution of the League, together with application blanks for membership, to all pastors. Some fine responses were received indicating an increasing interest in the matter of tithing.

Your Committee urges that tithing, as God's plan for financing His Kingdom be kept before our people.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rev. L. L. Sawyer, chairman

The report was adopted.

Rev. W. A. Klink read

THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NEW CONGREGATIONS

Your committee has received an application from The United Evangelical Lutheran Church of Spencer, Nebraska, for membership to this Synod. The application has been properly signed by the Trustees.

The constitution of this congregation has also been examined by your committee and find that in every respect it conforms to that of the United Lutheran Church in America.

It is recommended that it be received into membership of this Synod.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rev. W. A. Klink, chairman

The report was adopted.

Rev. A. W. Young read

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ARCHITECTURE

The Committee has not had any meeting during the year, although the chairman of the Committee was consulted concerning some of the arrangements for Religious Education, by St. Luke's Church, of Omaha, relative to their proposed new building.

Other churches have asked for advice on some minor changes intended to make the present buildings better adapted to Church School work.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rev. C. H. B. Lewis, chairman

The report was adopted.

Rev. A. W. Young read

THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PROTOCOL

Page 6 Protocol shows that O. E. Schellburg attended all sessions, minutes show that he attended none.

Dr. W. I. Guss' street address is 40th St. Should be 49th according to protocol.

Page 7 shows that J. C. Miller and B. F. Hubbard attended five sessions, protocol shows only four.

R. E. Rangeler's Street address is omitted in minutes.

W. H. Saas was present at three sessions instead of four.

Albert Hedelund was present at two sessions instead of three.

Page 9 The fourth line, "1929" is omitted.

Page 10 The date of the resignation of Rev. Luther M. Kuhns D. D. should be May 1.

F. H. Bloch is misspelled.

Page 11 Second line Rev. L. H. Steinhoff should be according to protocol F. H. Steinhoff.

In line 11 the date "the first of June" is omitted in the protocol.

Page 12 Third line Under dedications "and cost \$3000.00" should read "and cost about \$3000.00."

Page 31 Omit "D. D." after the names Livers, and Kahse according to recommendation by President which was adopted.

Page 35 Line 2, the words "a member" were omitted.

Page 35 Omit D. D. after Rubrecht.

Page 43 Line 29 "Congerence" should read "conference."

Page 56 Omit D. D. after names.

Parochial report not in protocol.

Respectfully Submitted,

A. W. Young, chairman

Carried that the Secretary be instructed to correct all manifest errors in this year's protocol. Carried that in the printed minutes the title of all pastors be "Rev.", except in the official roll, where complete titles shall be given.

Rev. J. L. Sawyer read

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE MINUTES AND REPORTS

Your Committee has read the minutes of the meeting of the North Platte and Western Conferences, and finds that they held meetings in accordance with the decree of Synod. The South Platte Conference held a meeting at Hardy, last fall, but the minutes were not presented to this committee due to the absence of the secretary.

The minutes of the above-named conferences, whose minutes were read, indicate that successful meetings were held. The only matter of interest demanding the attention of Synod was a memorial from the North Platte Conference which reads as follows:

"That all members of the North Platte Conference absent from any sessions of this 78th Annual Conference, be reported to Synod, and there be asked to make their excuses on the floor of Synod."

Respectfully Submitted,

Rev. J. L. Sawyer, chairman

The report was adopted.

Rev. H. A. Anspach, Rev. H. C. Cordts, Rev. F. C. Weigman, Rev. K. deFreese, Rev. L. H. Steinhoff were elected alternate clerical delegates to the United Lutheran convention.

Mr. Albert Hedelund read

THE REPORT OF THE LUTHERAN BROTHERHOOD OF NEBRASKA

To the President, Pastors and Lay Members of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska:

It is with considerable regret that I cannot be with you in person to extend greetings on behalf of the Nebraska State Brotherhood at this, your 58th Annual Convention.

When I stood before your convention last year and endeavored, to the best of my ability, to sell to the Ministers and Laymen there assembled, the idea of a Brotherhood, or at least a Men's group of some kind, "Organized for Service", I fully realized that I was pleading a cause which thus far has not made any great headway in our Synod and so when I have the pleasure of only reporting four new Brotherhoods as the result of a year of active work on the part of our Executive Committee and District Chairman, I am not in the least discouraged.

We now feel, however, that the question of a Men's organization in every church in the Synod is no longer a matter of education, at least so far as the Pastors are concerned. Much fertile soil has been cultivated during the year and it is our opinion that now in many parishes all that is necessary is a word of encouragement from the Pastors and the men will respond.

The goal of the State Brotherhood for the year has been set at seven new organizations and we feel confident that this is well within the realm of possibility. Surely there should be at least one new Brotherhood from each District this year.

Pastors, give your laymen an opportunity to develop through a Laymen's organization and thus enable them to assist you more efficiently in the work of the Master's Kingdom. Laymen, if you represent a church at this convention where the men are not organized, assist your Pastor when you return home, to promote such an organization.

"The harvest truly is great but the laborers are few. Pray ye, therefore, the Lord of the harvest that He may send laborers into His harvest." Yes, of course you are praying the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into His harvest, but are you doing your part toward assisting the Lord in bringing this about? God knows. The responsibility rests now upon your shoulders.

Sincerely,
O. E. Schellburg, President,
Nebraska State Brotherhood

The report was adopted.

Rev. G. B. Weaver read

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION

Your Committee on Constitution herewith submits for your consideration, the Constitution prepared for adoption and authorized at the 57 Annual Convention of the Nebraska Synod.

A careful study has been made of the present Constitution of Synod, and also of those of the other Synodical bodies, together with that of the Constitution of The United Lutheran Church in America, and of such other documents bearing upon the Constitution as your Committee could secure. Your Committee has incorporated in the Constitution the suggestions made by committees and members of Synod as far as these have come to our knowledge.

We recommend that the Articles of Incorporation of Synod be revised so as to harmonize with the present Constitution. In law, the Articles of Incorporation are practically the Constitution, and the Constitution of Synod is simply the By-Laws. Because of the need of having unity between the Articles of Incorporation and the Constitution, we suggest their revision; and that your Committee on Constitution be authorized to prepare this revision for submission to Synod a year hence.

Respectfully Submitted
Rev. G. B. Weaver, chairman

The report was adopted.

Carried that the Constitution be referred to the Conferences; that final action be taken at the next Synod; and that one pastor from each conference be included in the Committee on Constitution.

Carried that the report of the Auditors Committee on Missions be referred to the Executive Committee for adoption.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHURCH SCHOOLS

In accordance with the recommendation adopted by Synod last year (see 1929 minutes, page 46), your Committee has given its attention this year to experimenting with the Combination Service.

we have corresponded with a number of pastors in several Synods, who have used this Service, securing their plans and results.

The Committee addressed a letter to Nebraska Synod pastors in September, inviting their trial of the Service, and another in October to pastors, Secretaries of Church Councils, and Church School Superintendents. In January, a four-page brochure was mailed to the same groups outlining three suggested plans of the Combination Service. Members of the Committee corresponded extensively with pastors interested.

Eight congregations in our Synod have tried the Service. Two of them - Kountze Memorial and St. Luke's, Omaha, have used it for some years, successfully, but to follow it with the regular morning worship alone, at the usual hour. Of the six others, four - Hampton, Verdon, Allen, Spencer - find it decidedly a success. Two - Auburn and Emerson - have found the objections strenuous to make it advisable to discontinue the Service, at least temporarily.

Your Committee co-operated, during the year, with the Foreign Missions Committee of Synod, by sending out a letter, on January 6, to Church School Superintendents, stressing the Foreign Mission Day offering during the Epiphany season.

Your Committee calls attention to the fact that the Statistical Report shows only small gains - and some losses - in the figures in Sunday Church Schools. Not a very good indication if the growing strength of the "right arm" of the Church. The Report of the Committee in State of the Church also reveals "weak spots" in our Church School Programs.

We recommend—

1. That the Combination Service plan be commended for experiment to other congregations, especially those with a larger percentage of urban membership, who will give it a trial, with the assistance of the Committee.

2. That the Committee be authorized to promote District Conferences, rallies, etc., in the interest of more effective Church School work.

The total expense of your Committee was \$7.00.

Respectfully Submitted

L. H. Steinhoff, chairman

The report was adopted.

Rev. A.O. Frank read

MIDLAND ASSEMBLY REPORT

The annual Midland Assembly for Church Workers, the Synodical leadership training school, was held in Fremont, Nebraska, in the Administration building of Midland College August 5th to 11th 1929.

Faculty

We were most fortunate in again securing a most capable faculty for the instruction in the various classes as well as the lectures. The faculty consisted of Dr. Leander S. Keyser of the Hamma Divinity School, Springfield, Ohio. Dr. Hugh Bannen, Pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church of Rockford, Ill. Dr. Mary Baer of India, Dr. C. B. Larson, member of the Danish Theological Seminary at Blair, Nebraska. Dr. Holmes Dysinger, Dean of Western Theological Seminary of Fremont, Dr. Ernest Klotzsche of the Western Seminary, Dr. W. F. Rangelier of the Western Seminary, Dr. H. F. Martin, President of Midland College, Dr. C. H. B. Lewis, Field Secretary of the Parish and School Board, Mrs. J. J. Gent of Mount Carmel, Ill. The Reverends D. L. McConnell, Missionary Superintendent of the Kansas Synod, J. L. Sawyer, pastor of our church in York, and L. H. Steinhoff pastor of our church in Tekamah, led the daily morning devotions. Rev. J. L. Sawyer also served as song leader.

Registrations

The registrations for 1929 surpassed those of any preceeding year by 62 for a total of 284. This does not include many visitors who attended but did not register. The English Nebraska Synod sent 217 of these registrations, German Nebraska 12 the remaining coming from other Lutheran and non Lutheran bodies. Sixty-eight parishes were represented and fifty-one pastors were in attendance.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Assembly publicity last year was in charge of Rev. Fred C. Wiegman, who very ably handled the work. Members of the Board of Directors deserve much credit for their most helpful co-operation. The work of Mrs. G. E. Hickman, Registrar and chairman of the Fremont Committee, deserves special mention for her tireless efforts in the Assembly work.

The union of the meetings with the State Convention of the Woman's Missionary Society again proved helpful and to the advantage of both the Assembly and the State Society. They will again hold their convention during the days of the Midland Assembly this summer.

Officers elected to serve for the year 1929-30 were President Alfred O. Frank, Auburn, Secretary, Rev. J. H. Steinhoff, Tekamah, Treasurer, Mrs. G. E. Hickman, Fremont.

The Assembly Board appreciate the fine spirit of co-operation on the part of the Pastors and lay leaders of the Synod and trust that such co-operation may continue.

Recommendations

That every Pastor of Synod encourage the organizations of his church in the loyal financial and moral support of the organizations this coming summer.

Respectfully Submitted

A. O. Frank, President

The report was adopted.

Carried that the same amount as last year be allowed the Nebraska Synod Lutheran.

Rev. C. R. Lowe read

THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

Your Resolutions committee would report as follows:

Resolved that we express our appreciation of the growing spirit of brotherliness between the German Nebraska Synod and the Nebraska Synod: and we pledge ourselves to further the spirit in all ways feasible.

Resolved that the four hundredth anniversary of the Augsburg Confession be noted by our pastors and their congregations in their most fitting way.

Resolved that our pastors do all in their power to close up the work of the Pension Fund, endeavoring to secure the whole pledge made by the congregation.

Resolved that the Synod commend the work of the National Lutheran Council to the pastors and the congregations for their support.

Resolved that we commend Dr. H. F. Martin for his efficient management of Midland College as indicated by his report and that we pledge our continued support to him in his administration in the present financial crisis.

Resolved that we express our appreciation to the Christ's Lutheran Church of Davenport, its pastor, choir and orchestra and to all who have in any way contributed to the success of this convention, and that a copy of this resolution be read to this congregation.

Respectfully Submitted

Rev. H. W. Monesmith, chairman

The report was adopted.

Rev. L. M. Kuhns read

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SPEAKERS AND CHAPLAIN

Your committee would report the following:

Communion sermon Rev. W. A. Klink; Alternate Rev. R. E. Rangeler.
Ordination sermon Rev. K. de Freese; Alternate Dr. G. B. Weaver.

Organist Rev. E. A. Vosseler.

Chorister Rev. J. L. Sawyer.

Chaplain Rev. A. W. Young; Alternate Rev. C. H. Kemper.

Synodical sermon; President of Synod.

Respectfully Submitted

Rev. A. W. Young, chairman

The report was adopted.

Rev. A. W. Young presented the invitation of Trinity Church, Stamford, to hold the next Synod in their church. The invitation was unanimously accepted.

Mr. H. Fischer read

REPORT ON MIDLAND COLLEGE, FREMONT, NEBRASKA

To the President and Members of the Evangelical English Lutheran Synod of Nebraska:

Midland College, located at a strategic point in the area of Mid-West Lutheranism, offers to the young men and women of our church an opportunity for education from which our church has benefited greatly in the past and will continue to benefit in increasing measure in the future. The college was created by the old General Synod and it needs the assistance and support of the entire constituency of the Lutheran Church of the Middle West.

For the College year of 1928-1929 the total enrollment in the College of Arts and Sciences was 510 and in the School of Business 91, whereas for the year 1929-1930, the total enrollment in the College of Arts and Sciences was 680 and in the School of Business 68, which shows an increase this year over last. The freshman class enrollment for last year was 89 and for this year it was 110. It is to be noted that Midland has enjoyed an increase in enrollment despite the fact that generally among Middle Western colleges there has been a decrease. The Extension Department increased from 39 to 85. The Senior Class last year numbered 30 graduates, with 20 students receiving Certificates of Graduation from the School of Business and 32 certificates being granted in other departments.

We dislike very much to report that the school is still operating with a deficit as of August 31, 1929, of \$8,945. Owing to the fact that the College will receive \$5,000 less from the Board of Education of the United Lutheran Church this coming year, the deficit cannot be cut down without infringing upon the scholastic standing of the college and the merit of the faculty. From the Appeal Fund pledged several years ago, we have collected \$12,545. The present endowment is \$178,756. The College liabilities as of August 31, 1929, were \$117,498.

We believe that financially the college is now upon an absolute corporation business basis. No bills, outside of the usual routine ones, are paid until they are brought up in the executive committee meeting and reported by the finance committee. The finance committee meets each week and passes upon the expenditures of the College and makes a report to the Executive Committee each month.

The money in the endowment fund last year was all loaned on new Fremont houses. An appraisal of the property is made by a disinterested party and the members of the Finance Committee and money is then loaned not to exceed 50% of the appraised value of the houses and lot.

Last June, as you no doubt know, the Board authorized the Executive Committee to inaugurate a plan to raise \$10,000 additional for three years to meet operating deficits. In this work the Executive Committee has been assisted by Dr. J. H. Miller who is certainly the right man in the right place. He alone has secured in cash and pledges approximately \$6,000.

It would be well for our pastors and interested laymen to remind members of our Churches to make Midland College a beneficiary in their wills. Several parties have included bequests for Midland in their wills and this year we received a thousand dollars in legacies from Mrs. Lydia Hoover of Davenport, Nebraska, and from Mr. Hortsman of Westboro, Missouri. Mrs. Clara Curry returned both the annuity bond of a thousand dollars purchased several years ago and the interest, thereby making a gift of more than a thousand dollars outright to the College.

Inasmuch as Rev. Henry Scherer resigned as field secretary for the College, Rev. L. H. Steinhoff has been secured as part-time field secretary. Rev. Steinhoff spends from three to four days a week in service for the school. We believe Rev. Steinhoff to be an earnest and conscientious worker for the school.

The greatest need at Midland at the present time is for a boys' dormitory. This is still a dream, for the Board does not know where the money is coming from unless some good and wealthy member of our church gives the money to erect the same.

The College, under the leadership of Professor Lyders, organized an a cappella choir which made a trip of 2,200 miles in the Cadillac cars owned by the College. It is said by one competent critic that the Midland choir is one of the six great choirs of the country.

The faculty works in splendid harmony with the President, and as for President Martin, it would be difficult to find his equal, especially considering the trying circumstances under which he labors.

Nothing can be done at the present time which would involve extra expenditure of money unless the money is provided in some manner. However Midland should progress for it is located in the center of a fine Lutheran Constituency and it also receives the hearty support of the City of Fremont. Unless denominational colleges can keep up with secular colleges, they will dominate.

The Western Theological Seminary will graduate six men this year. There are sixteen students enrolled in the Seminary at this time. Western Theological Seminary has graduated 125 students and 38 of this number are now serving churches in the Midland territory. Ten of the graduates are now serving in foreign fields.

Whether or not a merger of the Western Seminary with other seminaries in contiguous territory can be made is still an open question. However we believe this past year has seen a movement toward what will eventually result in a merger. The Merger Committee of the Nebraska English and the Merger Committee of the German Nebraska Synod has met three times and has created some sentiment for a merger, although an actual merger is still in the future.

Inasmuch as the Executive Committee of this Synod was empowered by the Synod last year to plan the campaign for funds for the educational program of the United Lutheran Church within the territory covered by Midland College, it was thought best by the Executive Committee to take the matter up with the Martin Luther Seminary. After a meeting of the Executive Committee with the Executive Committee of the Martin Luther Seminary, it was decided to make a unified campaign, and in our opinion this is the most satisfactory thing accomplished by the Executive Committee during the past year. The plans are to have the campaign from September 1st to November 1st and it is tentatively planned to have the firm of Ward, Wells and Dreshman, with Mr. H. T. Beaver in charge, conduct the campaign. According to plans the expenses of the campaign are to be pro-rated and the remainder is to be divided with Midland receiving 80% and Martin Luther Seminary 20%. Money received in the City of Fremont is to go to Midland College and that received in the City of Lincoln is to go to Martin Luther Seminary. No definite agreement has been reached with regard to the money subscribed by Nebraska Synod churches in Fremont and Lincoln.

While your Executive Committee was empowered by the Synod last year to look after this educational campaign matter, still it would be well to have some sort of action on the part of this Synod here assembled whereby the plan of the Executive Committee is heartily endorsed so that our bretheren of the German Synod will know that this Synod is in favor of a unified campaign. Although the Campaign Committee of the Martin Luther Seminary has agreed to the plan as above outlined, still it will be necessary for the German Synod as a whole to approve the plan as the Committee had power only to negotiate and then report back to the Synod.

We know that every pastor and every layman in this territory believes in Midland College, but in order that it can progress as it should, it is necessary that the College receive the heartiest support possible from all the pastors and all the laymen in this Lutheran territory.

We of the Board of Midland College desire to express our confidence and belief in the fine leadership of our President, Dr. H. F. Martin, who, in spite of all sorts of discouragement, carries on because he visualizes the bright future which awaits the College.

Recommendation

We recommend that Midland College be placed upon the Synodical apportionment of the Nebraska Synod to the amount of \$1.00 per capita on the same basis as other benevolent objects in order to help the College meet its budget for 1931.

Respectfully Submitted

H. Fischer, for the Trustees.

The report was adopted.

Rev. H. W. Monesmith read

REPORT OF SEC'Y OF YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES

As your Secretary we wish to state that our observation and contact with the young people of Nebraska has impressed us with the fact that the churches of Nebraska have a most wholesome group of young people. We have never found a more earnest or consecrated class of christian young people.

Our State Luther League is still headed by Mr. Herbert Fisher, whose efficient and enthusiastic leadership has inspired confidence among both pastors and young people.

The Eighteenth Biennial Convention of the Luther League met in Kountze Memorial Church July 6-8 and more than realized our greatest expectations. More need not be said here as most of the pastors attended this convention at least in part. This year's statistical report did not reach us before coming to Synod but we note in the Year Book Nebraska is credited with 26 active Luther Leagues a paid membership of 890, local offerings of \$2,314 and a benevolence offering of \$879.00.

We are informed that Lutheran Hospice is now on a sound financial basis. We regret however that the pastors and their people do not avail themselves of the opportunity of staying at the Hospice and we would again urge them to encourage the young people coming to Omaha for school or work to live at the Hospice.

We were privileged to meet with the Executive Committee of the Luther League and help plan what promises to be the best State Convention ever held in Nebraska. This Convention will be held in Salem Lutheran Church of Dakota City, the last week of August. The Convention will start eve. Aug. 23, with a picnic supper on the shores of Chrystal Lake. One session will be held in the oldest Lutheran Church in Nebraska, namely Immanuel Lutheran Church of Dakota City. Prominent speakers have been secured and unusual features will mark the Convention thruout. We would urge the pastors of Synod to so arrange their summer vacations as to be able to attend this Convention and bring a delegation of young people with them. This applies to those pastors who do not have Luther Leagues as well as those who are entitled to representation.

Respectfully Submitted

Rev. H. W. Monesmith, chairman

The report was adopted.

Rev. G. K. Rubrecht read

**REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MERGING WITH OTHER
LUTHERAN BODIES IN NEBRASKA**

A year ago Synod authorized the appointment of a Committee to confer with a similar Committee from the German Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska, or other Lutheran bodies of the state, relative to merging into one United Lutheran Synod in Nebraska. The German Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska appointed a similar committee to confer with our committee consisting of President Schuldt, Dean Huebner of Martin Luther Seminary, Rev. O. Hausmann, Rev. C. Bahnsen and Mr. Monke. Dean Huebner is chairman of the German Nebraska Committee.

Three meetings of the joint committees have been held, all of them at Martin Luther Seminary in Lincoln. The last meeting was held at the time of President Knubel's visit to this state a little over a month ago. This proved to be a most helpful conference. At the initial meeting held on the joint committee was organized with Dr. Rubrecht as chairman. Two secretaries were also elected: Rev. Wiegman to represent the English Committee and Rev. Hausmann to represent the German committee. Full notes as well as minutes of the meetings have been taken and these notes and minutes have been interchanged.

Your committee comes with no definite recommendations at this time. It believes, however, that much solid groundwork has been laid. The discussions have been frank and helpful and illuminating. There has been no effort to hasten matters or to insist upon any preconceived policy on the part of either group. Many misunderstandings of the past have been cleared up in the minds of the committee and a splendid spirit of harmony and good-will has prevailed.

The gratifying decision of the campaign committees of Midland and Martin Luther of a joint campaign for Christian Education is the by-product of these important conferences.

Respectfully Submitted

Rev. H. F. Martin, chairman

The report was adopted.

Carried that the personnel of the present Committee on Merger be re-appointed by the President. The President declared them appointed.

Adjourned at 12:30 to meet at 1:30.

Prayer was offered by Rev. W. A. Klink.

SEVENTH SESSION, THURSDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 7.

The seventh session was convened by the President at 1:37.

Prayer was offered by Rev. E. A. Dorner.

Rev. J. C. Hershey read the report of the

COMMITTEE ON LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Your Committee recommends that the following be excused from the sessions indicated:

From all sessions: J. A. Lowe, G. P. Kabele, C. H. B. Lewis, E. A. Vosseler, J. J. Raun, H. Dumler. From sessions 6 and 7, O. W. Ebright and W. T. Kahse. From session 7, F. A. Kunz.

Respectfully Submitted

Rev. J. C. Hershey, chairman

The report was adopted.

Carried that 1500 copies of the 1930 minutes be printed.

Carried that competitive bids be secured by the Secretary for the printing of the minutes.

Rev. T. D. Rinde read

REPORT OF THE APPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE

In accordance with the action of Synod which authorized a total budget of \$55,000.00 to cover all specified objects, the committee has made the apportionment as follows:

The United Lutheran Church	55.86%
Midland College	15.81%
Synodical Treasury	12.76%
Tabitha Home	4.76%
Home Mission Committee	3.00%
Ministerial Education	2.73%
Salem Lutheran Church, Fremont, ...	1.73%
Synodical Paper	1.55%
Seminary Contingent Fund	1.39%
One-half Tuition of Ministerial Students	.91%

Total 100.00%

Basing the apportionment for the several congregations upon the communing membership, the following schedule is submitted:

Allen	\$ 611	Oshkosh	183
Auburn	1115	Lewellen	239
Beatrice	630	Paxton	599
Benedict (Zion)	372	Sutherland	214
Dakota City (Emman) ..	44	Ponca	819
Dakota City (Salem)	554	Rising City	926
Davenport	1027	Sidney	567
Emerson	1292	Gurley	561
Falls City	630	Potter	164
Fremont	2652	South Sioux City	781
Grand Island	2835	Homer	284
Hampton	580	Hubbard	233
Hardy	466	Stamford	617
Hildreth	599	Tekamah	334
Hooper	895	Verdon	788
Leigh	819	Stella	107
Lincoln (Grace)	1859	Wolbach	655
Lincoln (St. James)	202	Ericson	126
Walton	378	Wayne	1386
Eagle	139	Wilber	378
Nebraska City	706	West Point	2218
North Platte	2495	York	365
Omaha - First	1027	McCool Junction	384
Grace	983	Spencer, S. D.	391
K. M.	13,898	Respectfully Submitted	
Redeemer	1248		
St. Luke's	2539		
St. Mark's	1134		

Rev. Thomas D. Rinde, chairman

(Note: For 1930 apportionment, see page one.)

The report was adopted.

Rev. J. C. Miller read

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLICITY

Your committee on publicity has discharged the usual duties of that committee. Advance publicity was sent to Lincoln, Fremont, Sioux City and Omaha papers and accounts of the progress of the convention have been sent to the Lincoln and Omaha papers.

Reports will be sent to the Lutheran and the Nebraska Synod Lutheran after the close of Synod.

Respectfully Submitted
PUBLICITY COMMITTEE,
Rev. J. C. Miller, chairman

The report was adopted.

Carried that the Committee on President's Report report on that part of the report which was read before Synod, excluding that part read before the Executive session.

Rev. E. C. Mortensen read the report of the
COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Your Committee on the President's Report desires to make the following report:

That we highly commend our President for his untiring zeal and activity in the work of the kingdom of God in our Synod. His report shows that he has been actively engaged in the Father's Business and that his unceasing labors have built up the walls of Zion among us.

The President's Recommendations were acted upon as follows:

No. 1—Approved.

No. 2—Approved.

No. 3—Approved.

No. 4—Approved (See President's Report, page 16 1928 Minutes.

No. 5—Approved.

Respectfully Submitted
Rev. E. C. Mortensen, chairman

Carried that the report be considered seriatim. Recommendations 1, 3, 4, 5, adopted. Recommendation 2 amended to allow the printing of Calendar and Budget Dollar on the first blank page of the Minutes. The report was adopted.

Carried that the Lutheran Brotherhood be allowed the free printing of its minutes in the Synod minutes.

Carried that the printed minutes contain no motions not germane to the question, but they shall be included in the Protocol. Carried that Rev. Dorner and his delegate be excused from sessions 1, 2, 3. Carried that \$10.00 be allowed the host church for janitor service. Carried that the roll of Pastors and Lay Delegates be printed on separate pages of the minutes. Carried to adjourn to meet in Executive Session. Adjourned at 2:22.

EXECUTIVE SESSION THURSDAY AFTERNOON

The Executive Session was convened at 2:25 by the President. Prayer was offered by Rev. R. A. White, Carried to take

the previous question from the table. The President resumed the reading of his report. The report was adopted. Common consent that his report be not included in the printed minutes. The minutes of the executive session were read and approved. Adjourned at 3 o'clock. Prayer was offered by Rev. J. L. Sawyer.

SEVENTH SESSION (CONCLUDED)

The business session was resumed at 3:05. The minutes were read and approved. Carried that all unfinished business be referred to the Executive Committee.

The Secretary read the revised

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee held 8 meetings: 2 at Omaha, 2 in joint session with the German Nebraska Synod Campaign Committee at Lincoln, and 2 at Davenport. All the standing committees were appointed as per the 1929-1930 Synodical directory. A bill of \$175 was presented the Women's Missionary Society covering their total indebtedness to date for the printing of their minutes in the Synod Minutes. All routine items were dispatched.

The Executive Committee recommends:

ITEM 1.

That a joint campaign be conducted this year to raise funds for Midland College and Martin Luther Seminary by this Synod and the German Nebraska Synod on the following terms:

- (1) The entire campaign to be directed by a campaign manager.
- (2) 20% of the funds secured from the congregations of the two Synods to go to Midland College and 20% to Martin Luther Seminary, not including gifts specifically designated.
- (3) The monies given by non-Lutherans of Fremont to go to Midland College, and that of Lincoln to Martin Luther Seminary.
- (4) All expenses to be paid out of the total receipts before division is made.
- (5) The representatives of both Synods to be equally welcome in the congregations of either Synod.
- (6) All other details to be arranged by the Central Campaign Committee.

ITEM 2.

That financial aid be given the Lutheran student work at Nebraska University on the following conditions:

- (1) If the present plan of student secretary is continued, \$200 to be given this year.
- (2) If a full-time ordained student pastor is secured, \$300 to be given this year.

ITEM 3.

That Synod authorize the President and Secretary to endorse the note of Midland College in the amount of \$15,000.00 maturity date Nov. 1, 1930, interest to be paid by the College, for the purpose of providing credit for Midland College.

ITEM 4.

That the representatives of Midland College be permitted to solicit \$10,000 annually for the next three years to defray the current expenses of the College.

ITEM 5.

That financial aid be given Grace Church, Lincoln, in its building program, in view of its activity in Lutheran student work at the University, on the following conditions:

- (1) If a full-time ordained student pastor is secured, \$100 is to be donated to Grace Church to apply on the interest incurred in building the new church.
- (2) If the present plan of student secretary is continued, \$200 is to be given to Grace Church as above.
- (3) If neither of the above plans is followed, \$400 is to be given to Grace Church as above.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rev. Fred C. Wiegman, secretary

The report and its recommendations were adopted.
Rev. C. R. Lowe read the

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SYNODICAL PAPER

During the year since the last convention of Synod five issues of the Nebraska Synod Lutheran were published, 6300 copies per issue. Per action of Synod at the last convention the size of the paper was increased from 9x12 inches to 11x16 inches, which has given more than 50% increase of reading matter per issue; while the printing cost for the five larger size papers was the same as for the six smaller ones the preceding year, the number of copies per issue remaining the same. The total expense for the paper was \$40.75 less than the preceding year.

The Committee desires to express its appreciation for the splendid co-operation on the part of the pastors and officers of the Synodical organizations and institutions.

We present the following financial statement for the year:

Cost of printing and mailing five issues	\$450.00
Corrections on mailing list	13.50
Postage paid	27.25

Total cost for the year\$489.75

The Committee recommends:

1. That the present size of the paper be continued, and that five issues be published during the coming year, one every three months during the summer and one every second month for the balance of the year.
2. That since the work of editing the paper is considerable, the President of Synod, as its full-time salaried officer, be made editor of the paper in accordance with the custom in quite a number of our Synods.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rev. Geo. P. Kabele, chairman

The report was adopted.

Carried that the time of the next Synod be set by the Executive Committee some time in February before Ash Wednesday. Carried to adjourn. Adjourned at 3:30. The Order for the Closing of Synods was conducted by the President.

This certifies that the above are the true and corrected minutes of the proceedings of the 58th annual convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska of the United Lutheran Church in America.

(Seal)
May 14, 1930.

Fred C. Wiegman, Secretary.
W. I. Guss, President.

PAROCHIAL REPORT OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF NEBRASKA

FINANCIAL

PAROCHIAL										FINANCIAL													Summary		
Church - Societies			Valuation of Church Property							Congregational Expenses			Congregational Benevolence												
Men's			Men's							Current			Total		Paid		Excess		Deficit		Unapportioned			Total	
Number	Members	Young People	Church Edifices	Parsonages	School and Parish Houses	Endowment	Other Property	Total Valuation	Indebtedness	Current	Unusual	Total	Paid	Excess	Deficit	Education	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Inner Missions	Other Benevolence	Total Unapportioned	Total	Expenditures		
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SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH
FREMONT, NEBRASKA

April 23, 1930.

* The 13th Annual meeting of the Lutheran Brotherhood of the Evangelical Synod of Nebraska was held at Salem Lutheran Church, of Fremont, April 23, 1930.

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 P. M. by the President O. E. Schellberg. The meeting was opened with selections by the Midland Melodists and devotional service led by Rev. G. P. Kabele of Fremont.

The Brotherhoods and Congregations of Allen, Auburn, Benedict, Dakota City, Fremont, Grand Island, Gurley, Hampton, Hardy, Lincoln, North Platte, Omaha, Ponca, Rising City, Sidney, Tekamah, Wayne, West Point, and York. Visitors were present from Missouri Valley, Sioux City, and Valley Junction, Iowa, and Bendena, Kansas. The total registration was 65. Some who came late did not register.

The Brethren were welcomed by Prof. Hankey, Vice President of the Brotherhood of Salem Lutheran Church, Fremont. This was responded to by Rev. Anspach of North Platte.

The minutes of the annual meeting of April 3d, 1929 were read and approved.

President Schellberg gave a Review of the Year's Work, from which it was learned that he had given considerable thought, time and energy to the extension of Brotherhood work and that considerable had been accomplished along that line.

The following Brotherhoods reported as to their work and activities:- Allen, Auburn, Fremont, Church of Our Redeemer at Omaha, Tekamah, West Point, McCool, York, Benedict and Rising City.

Carroll Nygren then favored the meeting with a vocal solo.

Addresses were given by Brother S. A. Wassum of Tekamah on "Men at work in the Church" and by Brother I. N. Augustine of Grand Island on "What Men can do in the Church," which were well prepared and showed that both of these men were interested and were devoting much time to this work. Miss Dorothea Smith favored us with a vocal selection.

Dr. J. W. Kapp, Executive Secretary of the National Lutheran Brotherhood, spoke on Brotherhood work, which was followed by a discussion on this subject.

Upon ballot, the following were elected as officers for the ensuing year:-

O. E. Schellberg of Omaha, President.

G. E. Hickman of Fremont, Vice President.

L. W. Johnson of West Point, Secretary.

H. A. Gunderson of Fremont, Treasurer.

Brother H. A. Gunderson, Treasurer, made the following report which was upon motion accepted:-

Credits.

Balance on hand April 3, 1929.....	\$66.74
April 9, 1930 Received from Grace Lutheran Church, Hooper, Nebraska.....	5.00
April 1, 1930 Received from Lutheran Church York	5.00
April 13, 1930 Received from Church of Our Redeemer Omaha	5.00
April 19, 1930 Received from St. Paul's Luth. Church, Auburn	5.00
April 19, 1930 Received from Grace Luth. Church, West Point	5.00
April 19, 1930 Received from Salem Luth. Church, Fremont	5.00

Total Credits \$96.74

Debits.

April 3, 1929, Paid	Dr. Kopp	\$12.00
" "	M. Martin	3.00
" "	L. W. Johnson	1.53
" "	H. A. Gunderson	1.22
" "	L. D. Swanson	5.70
" 17 "	Rev. A. O. Frank	5.00
" "	Rev. J. L. Sawyer	2.00
Nov. 27, 1929, Paid	Rev. A. O. Frank	4.25
" "	Rev. J. L. Sawyer	4.00
Total Debits		\$36.70
Balance on hand April 23, 1930.		\$60.04
		\$96.74

The President appointed the following as a resolutions committee: Rev. A. O. Frank of Auburn, S. A. Wassum of Tekamah and L. C. Herfordt of York

Rev. A. O. Frank of Auburn and Rev. J. L. Sawyer of York were appointed on the Executive Committee by the President, who together with the four elected officers, constitute this committee:

In accordance with the action taken at the 1929 meeting the following were appointed as District Chairmen, they to serve as a Membership Committee:-

Central District—L. C. Herfordt of York.

Fremont District—Wm. Meyer of Hooper.

Omaha District—Albert Hedelund, 4451 Evans St. Omaha.

Southeast District—W. W. Kuenning of Auburn.

Northeast District—M. M. Martin of Allen.

Lincoln District—O. L. Sturdevant, 2715 Cable Ave., Lincoln.

Western District—J. E. Sebastian of North Platte.

At 5:20 the meeting was adjourned to 6:30 P. M. at which time a banquet was served in the dining room of Salem Lutheran Church by the ladies of this church, with President Schellberg presiding as Toastmaster.

The program was opened with several selections by the Midland Girls' Trio, which was followed by an address by Dr. J. W. Kapp of Cincinnati, Executive Secretary of our National Brotherhood.

Following the address of Dr. Kapp Rev. H. Bertie A. Lundh of Missouri Valley, Iowa favored us with several vocal solos.

The toastmaster then introduced Dr. N. L. Melhorn of Philadelphia, Editor of "The Lutheran", who gave us an address.

Dr. H. F. Martin of Midland College was called upon for some remarks on education.

The Resolutions Committee then made their report, which was upon motion adopted.

The meeting was closed at 9:15 with the Doxology and the Lord's Prayer.

L. W. Johnson, Secretary